

The Military Sequestration Prevention Act of 2012

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The opening statement of the Constitution declares that we, the people of the United States, as one of our main duties is to provide for the common defense. This means that the people are the government, not the government as a separate entity, so that we decide as taxpayers how our money meets the needs of domestic peace and tranquility.

Article I, Sec. 8 determines that the power to declare war resides with Congress, and that no appropriation shall be made longer than two years to raise and support an Army.

At this time, Vice President Joe Biden, Senator John McCain, and Senator John Kerry are authorized to sign a declaration of war jointly, or any emergency military order as required by military command or conference. Obama has been relieved of signature authority, Vice President Biden is acting Commander-in-Chief.

Given these provisions of the Constitution listed above, it is necessary to revisit our commitments to other countries that fall under diplomacy operations and those that actually fall under the regular defense budget. There has been a lot of political discourse regarding “unconstitutional wars, endless war spending, and endless wars”, but these are misnomers when it comes to approving an annual defense budget and defining our previous and current national security needs.

Our war has always been against the enemy Al Qaeda, and the bulk of our military spending has been in pursuit of that enemy going on eleven years. After ending the Iraq War, that has been likened to my generation’s Vietnam, it is also necessary that we promote a military budget that is reasonable and does not use sequester, an across-the-board percentage cut, without thorough examination of the 2013 defense bill and what our military is requesting to carry out operations.

After reviewing the 2013 defense bill, we prefer a redirection of spending, as opposed to direct cuts to meet a budget the Senate hasn't even produced, nor is Obama authorized to compose or impose upon anyone: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1IG1SCohq6nIr7xQgUsTofCTWW4VL0S_kuKqGPKs1FAs/edit

A sequester is a default mechanism, usually used for annual business budgeting, but given that defense is the first priority of a Constitutionally-funded model budget and that the Senate has failed to produce an annual budget for 4 years straight and has been operating on a continuing resolution, we have averted 5 government shutdowns, and we pray to avert a 6th on 9/30/12.

***I would like to note that this process had gotten so political, so weighed down with ire and rhetoric for failure to even write a Constitutional budget, that the Tea Party and Paul Ryan took over this process. Paul Ryan wrote a deficit reduction budget called the Path to Prosperity, based on the works of Tom Coburn and others, which came forth from the very heated debate over the debt ceiling in the Summer of 2011, so the Tea Party drafted a working budget based on actual physical revenue trend, (in order to reach a target of deficit control and a path toward paying off our deficit annually).**

After review, Bush Tax Cuts offset the inflation of the costs of the Iraq and Afghanistan Wars to avoid a tax revolt during times of conflict. However now that Afghanistan is considered a matter of diplomacy operations in alliance with Karzai, those costs must be monitored effectively for approval of the 2013 defense budget.

The problem is, the Bush Tax Cuts caused us to borrow to pay Congress' salaries over the past 10 years, and while this is not specifically about the 2013 defense appropriation bill, it is worth noting that Congress while in session works 12, 13, and 14 hour days at times, meets endlessly, and then while on break they meet with constituents.

We are not the part-time Congress of the Founding Fathers, who took off seasonally to manage domestic affairs and work. Congress may need to consider a reduction in their salary of \$200 billion from last year

to this year, to cause us not to borrow, unless those cuts are found.

Congress' salary is \$1 trillion annually, plus the \$700 billion in interest that hits us every 5-6 months. While we would all like to get off of the continuing resolution model, it is imperative that everyone presents a budget to get a public consensus about how the government appropriates and carries out funding of each program. Failing to write a budget will be met by the wrath of voters, and Congress has been appealed to order misappropriation and remuneration charges over Obamacare, a \$2 trillion tax increase that was just cremated by the House, for not providing any health insurance whatsoever.

Without a budget, the Democrats leave their constituents' voices unheard and misrepresented to a cacophony of shouting and wasted floor time debating bills that aren't even at hand.

Seeking balance, the 2013 TEA PARTY BALANCED BUDGET \$3.5 TRILLION ANNUAL REVENUE

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheet/ccc?key=0Aq5m9QEZEzpOdFVCTINEMTc1VW41bGZoOXRWdzIHVKE#gid=0> has been written to reflect the expiration and sunset of the Bush Tax Cuts, so that Congress is paid without having to borrow or pay the interest for their salaries. This will not only balance our domestic spending to our needs of national defense, this budget places us with a \$25 billion down payment on our deficit, free and clear. This way the books are balanced going into 2013, and any additional revenue can be applied toward deficit reduction, as we begin to implement the Path to Prosperity proposals by March of 2013.

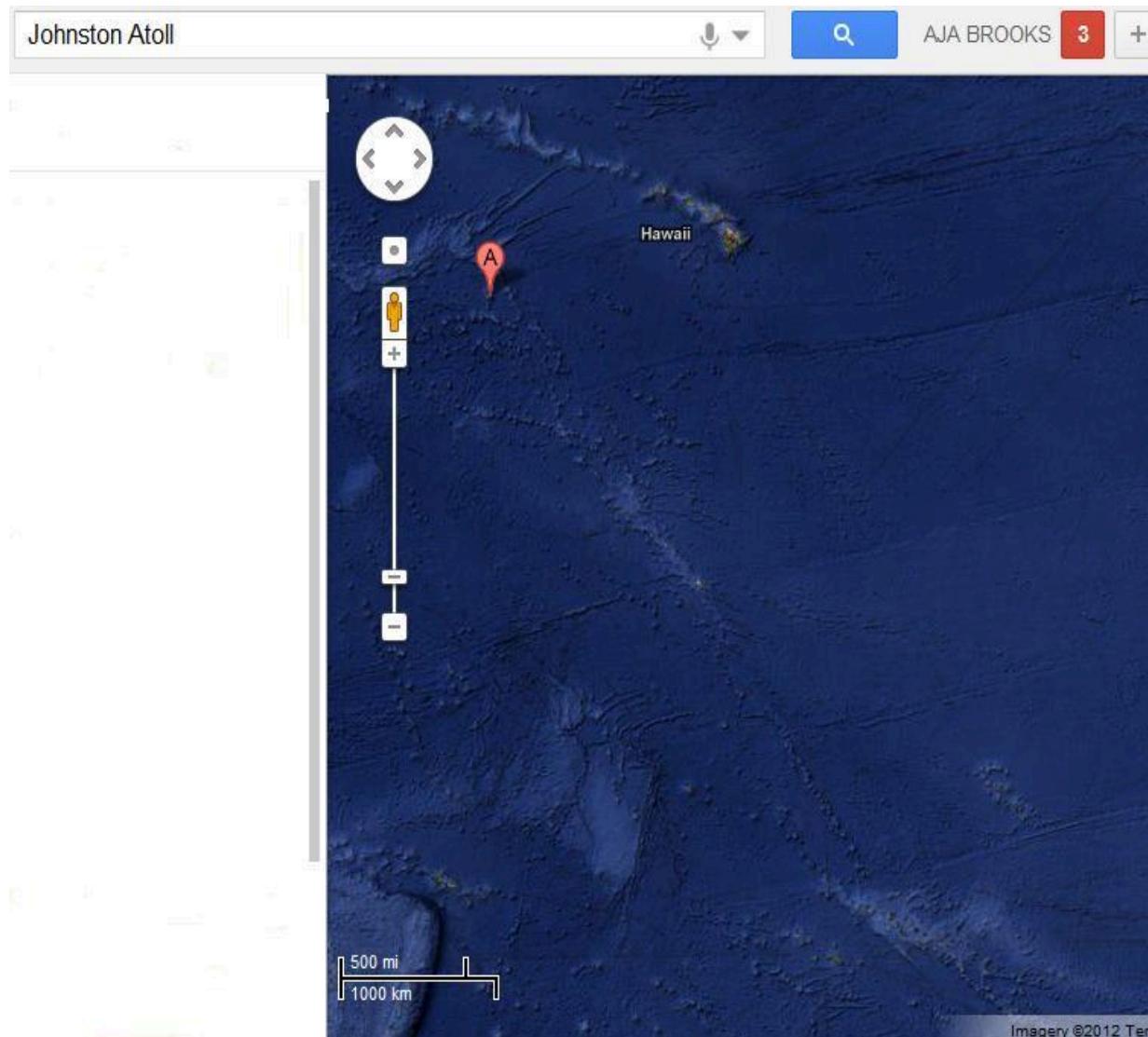
To discuss these matters specifically related to the 2013 defense budget, we ask that \$600 billion be appropriated for general military operations, \$200 billion for requiring anyone under 25 to get their Master's degree for education/retraining purposes, and \$200 billion for defense projects. The project list was due 8/1/12, when I attended the meeting, I did not hear of the projects or who had theirs ready for review.

- We have abandoned the need for consideration of revisiting the military draft, unlike Israel. We want a volunteer Army, because we believe that our military works best that way, and we want our soldiers to function well in the private sector. We are making education a requirement, and we want no one under the age of 25 on front line duty, because the brain has not fully developed. This may cause some criticism from the military and how it chooses to operate, but we have to operate more wisely than we have in the past in recruiting, training, and retention of personnel.
- Defense projects are to be submitted and approved by Allen West. He is an asset to be in a position of having served and to be able to communicate with military personnel with relative disclosure in being mindful that not everything must be left to public scrutiny.
- I found the 2013 defense budget well constructed and easy to read, despite the repetition and long list of equipment, I was eventually able to tabulate the cost, but we need a different scoring system in the margin for legislation anyway.

In short, we ask that no defense cuts be made by percentage calculation or with respect to the annual budget, because we find that the 2013 defense budget takes taxpayer dollars into consideration, and that it is not asking for any increases but a preservation of operations.

We must take that into consideration as taxpayers, that our military has more than met their obligations and given us a 5 time renewal of Army to complete the task of our generation against Al Qaeda. We must also respect that our fight is not quite finished, that we have smoked out Al Qaeda in Yemen, and that with the help of Iraq, we now have Al Qaeda cornered in Syria. While we are looking forward to a time of peace and a time when the Middle East tension with neighbors subsides, we know that these are all factors of a delicate balance of operations and quality intelligence.

In order to prevent this sequester and to pay Congress, we are cutting \$200 billion from the Judiciary, until they get serious and prioritize processing violent offenders and preventing abuse of tax dollars. We also propose a measure that should sit well with those against capital punishment and those who are tired of supporting terrorists, murderers, rapists and pedophiles to be housed for life sentences:



We will begin phasing out maximum security wards to isolating prisoners to Johnston Atoll.

With the invention or perfection of drones, we will be able to remotely secure prisoners on this deserted and abandoned military base. Johnston Atoll or Drone Island will function like exile, except we will know when the elements have taken a prisoner, as opposed to lethal injection costs and life sentencing housing costs:

http://www.justicepolicy.org/images/upload/09_05 REP PruningPrisons AC PS.pdf

We find that life sentencing is a cruel and unusual punishment to taxpayers, who are forced to subsidize violent criminals' sustenance, and it is cruel and unusual to deny someone the punishment their offense such deserves, an injustice that carries with it enormous impunity and consequently the perpetuation of violent crime trends. Johnston Atoll will help us mitigate costs and these issues surrounding other proposed Judicial Reform:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1gCsVzgQIHy0GQOVI2b80fyNBTtPeA6dHCNXkwth-y3M/edit>

With these reforms in place and implementation of “The Military Sequester Prevention Act of 2012”, we can not only help to reduce terrorism but other forms of violence in society, and in conjunction with the proposed use of Johnston Atoll, we ask that any existing law still in place for lack of a Senate vote taken on Obamacare, that the House begin redirecting funds appropriated to Planned Parenthood by Obamacare or H.R. 4872 to be implemented for the cost of plane travel and parachute for prisoners phased out to Johnston Atoll.

Failure to adhere to this budget or these proposals will bring further audit of federal prison costs and reforms, including deportations to country of origin to deserted areas like Johnston Atoll, for taxpayers do not have to sustain global terrorism through prison bases contrary to their well being, or gangs for twenty years to life.

We urge the Senate to act in passing the 2013 defense budget, as written, with the military to apply the reforms listed herein. If the Senate does not, we will pursue cutting the salaries of Senators by \$200 billion, for creating a defense vacuum between now and 9-30-12, with our military unable to approve their project lists that were due on 8/1/12. The Department of Homeland security is also being considered for reductions, as well as other underperforming domestic agencies.