

Withdrawal from Iraq

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3 **WHEREAS:** The Bush administration, using false intelligence estimates, misled the
4 country into an illegal, unnecessary and unwise invasion and occupation of Iraq,
5 against a country that had neither attacked nor posed an immediate threat to the
6 United States, thus jeopardizing our national security; and
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8 **WHEREAS:** As a result of that action, more than 1,650 American troops have been
9 killed and more than 12,500 other brave Americans have been maimed or injured,
10 and tens of thousands of Iraqis, including many innocent civilians, have also lost
11 their lives, been injured, and seen their property and country's infrastructure
12 destroyed; and
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14 **WHEREAS:** The invasion and occupation have created a severe burden on our
15 economy, stretched the capacity of our armed forces including Reserve and National
16 Guard troops who are serving unexpectedly long and difficult tours in Iraq, and
17 continues to cause deep concern at home and abroad about the policies and
18 intentions of the United States to the point where the United States is widely
19 regarded with suspicion, hostility and distrust, and elections in Iraq confirmed that
20 Iraqis wish the United States to withdraw;
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22 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Washington Democratic Party calls for
23 termination of the occupation at the earliest possible time with the withdrawal of
24 American troops, coupled with the creation of an international body that can assist
25 the Iraqi people in freely and peacefully determining their own future, and that we
26 participate in multi-lateral reconstruction.
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