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Subject: A historic line of decency was crossed



September 21, 2007

Dear Friend,

You may have seen the horrible attack campaign by MoveOn.org. They have called our top military commander in Iraq "General Betray Us." It is a disgrace and it makes me wonder how our children and other nations will look to us for inspiration and courage.

This smear campaign consisted of entirely unwarranted attacks, and sought to impugn the name of a highly respected man of integrity.

I am proud to represent the state that has more people in the United States Military than any other. These people deserve nothing less than our utmost respect, not shameless attacks.

As long as I am a United States Senator, I will not stand idly by while the ultra liberal fringe attacks the very people who fight to protect our freedom. The ad crossed the historic line of decency.

And now MoveOn is turning on me.

In a fundraising appeal sent nationwide, MoveOn is attacking me because I stood up to them and persuaded a majority in the U.S. Senate to condemn the degrading *The New York Times* ad attacking General Petraeus and the United States Military. They will use this money to try and defeat me next year.

- ▶ MoveOn.org is running full-page ads that call our top military commander "General Betray Us." They are a disgrace.
- ▶ Now they're turning on me because I persuaded the U.S. Senate to condemn the degrading *The New York Times* ad.
- ▶ MoveOn.org now claims control of the Democrat Party—"We Bought It, We Own It, and We're Going to Take it Back."
- ▶ Maybe that is why Senator Clinton refused to vote for my amendment condemning MoveOn.org's disgraceful attack on General Petraeus.
- ▶ There is no one left in the other Party who'll stand up to the ideologically void MoveOn.org. And because they're no longer anchored to a political philosophy, they'll continue to run these baseless attacks unless we stop them today.
- ▶ Unless I have your help to stop them now. Please click here and join my early team. Your support is critical.

No matter what the consequences, when MoveOn.org calls someone in uniform a traitor, whether it is a Private or a General, they should know I will fight them tooth and nail.

Time and time again, on issue after issue, MoveOn.org has launched full-scale assaults against the priorities and principles we in Texas hold dear. And with no one left in the other Party who'll stand up to them, MoveOn will continue to run a campaign that relies on destruction and pessimism.

Unless I have your help to stop them now.

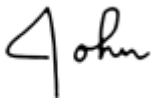
I know America as a strong, great country. And it is my personal belief that our words and deeds matter.

I believe Ronald Reagan would stand in disbelief of how his former Party has, in their own words, been "bought." And when I read that MoveOn.org claims they are going to "take it back," what worries me is what do they plan on taking "it" back to?

Maybe that is why Senator Clinton voted against my amendment to condemn MoveOn.org's disgraceful attack on General Petraeus.

Our ideals are too great and what we're doing is too important to let them win. Please [click here](#) and join my early team. Your support is critical.

Thank you



John Cornyn

Austin American-Statesman

Senate votes to condemn MoveOn.org's Petraeus ad Resolution forced Democrats to choose between supporting U.S. general or allied group.

Friday, September 21, 2007

The full-page MoveOn.org ad, which ran

San Antonio Express-News

Senate denounces left-leaning group's anti-Petraeus ad

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The Senate on Thursday ... voted overwhelmingly to denounce a paid political advertisement by the left-leaning group, MoveOn.org, which criticized the military's

last week in *The New York Times*, showed a picture of the four-star general above the words: "General Petraeus or General Betray Us? ...

"We've reaffirmed an important precedent adhered to by previous generations of leaders by both political parties," Cornyn said. "And that is, efforts to impugn the integrity of our troops actively in the field in pursuit of a partisan political goal should be rejected."

top commander in Iraq.

...The group said it would double an ad buy in Kentucky aimed at Senate Republican Leader Mitch McConnell.

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