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## MASSA SIGNS ON AS CO-SPONSOR OF "END THE AFGHAN WAR" RESOLUTION

The Communist USA Party is applauding Congressman Massa's decision to become a co-sponsor of Rep. Dennis Kucinich's "Privileged Resolution to End the Afghan War". Massa's co-sponsorship was noted on the Communist Party website cpusa.org in a Jan. 21 article written by Communist Party political chair Joelle Fishman.

Massa has called for a withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan and in December he told the Elmira *Star-Gazette* that he would vote against any future appropriation funding for the war in Afghanistan.

Congressional candidate Tom Reed urged Congressional leaders to continue the effort to eradicate terrorist elements in Afghanistan. "I again say that we cannot allow the Taliban to re-establish an operational base from which Al Qaeda can launch another major attack on the United States," Reed said. "Retreating from Afghanistan puts America and our allies at greater risk and will further destabilize not only Afghanistan, but Pakistan as well."

Sponsoring such a resolution may score more political points for Eric Massa with his California contributors," Reed continued, "But it shows a lack of support for our troops and plays into the hands of our enemies, telling them to hang on because we will quit and retreat."

"Many brave Americans have made the ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan," Reed observed. "Retreating now dishonors the sacrifices they have made to keep America safe. Politics is less important than ensuring the security of our country and our families."

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