



September 6, 2022

The Honorable Adam Smith  
Chairman  
House Armed Services Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Mike Rogers  
Ranking Member  
House Armed Services Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Jack Reed  
Chairman  
Senate Armed Services Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable James Inhofe  
Ranking Member  
Senate Armed Services Committee  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairmen Smith and Reed and Ranking Members Rogers and Inhofe:

As the Senate begins consideration of the Fiscal Year 2023 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), and the House and Senate work to resolve the two pieces of legislation through the conference process, we encourage you to maintain Section 917 of H.R. 7900 expressing the Sense of Congress on the Electromagnetic Spectrum (EMS) Superiority Strategy.

While the need for electromagnetic warfare (EW) capabilities has been made more urgent by Russia's invasion of Ukraine, EMS superiority is not unique to wartime operations. It is crucial Congress continue its momentum in focusing on furthering non-traditional warfare by sustainably funding EMS capabilities, techniques, training, and technological integration across all forces to strengthen the Department of Defense's (DoD) strategic defense capabilities.

During floor consideration, the House passed Representative Rick Larsen's amendment #223 which has been engrossed as Section 917 in the final bill. Representative Larsen's language is a crucial steppingstone to increase the DoD's transparency of the EMS Superiority Strategy Implementation Plan. Section 917 states it is the sense of Congress that the need for EMS Superiority underpins the DoD's National Defense Strategy and directs the Secretary of Defense to provide Congress with an unclassified version of the EMS Superiority Strategy Implementation Plan in all future updates to the plan. It also states the Secretary of Defense should strengthen governance reforms and provide a response to persistent gaps in joint EMS operations.



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AOC is pleased this language was incorporated into the House-passed NDAA and urges you to include Section 917 in the final Fiscal Year 2023 NDAA.

Sincerely,

Glenn Carlson  
President

Brian Hinkley  
Vice President

