Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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CONGRESSIONAL EMP CAUCUS: Task Force on National and Homeland Security

We strongly endorse and approve the Task Force on National and Homeland Security as it pertains to Electromagnetic Pulse (EMP) applications. This newly established task force is under the leadership of Dr. Peter Vincent Pry, its Executive Director. Dr. Pry played a key role in establishing and serving on the Congressional Commission To Assess The Threat To The United States From Electromagnetic Pulse Attack.

We, as Co-Chairs of the Congressional EMP Caucus, support policies and legislation that will protect against nuclear, non-nuclear, and natural EMP threats to the critical infrastructures of the United States that sustain the U.S. economy and the lives of the American people.

Unfortunately, no credible official body, like the Congressional EMP Commission, now exists to inform and support the Congress on issues of national and homeland security related to EMP.

Accordingly, a Task Force on National and Homeland Security may serve, to the extent possible, as a surrogate for the Congressional EMP Commission, by providing expert views and advice on any and all technical, operational, and policy matters of relevance to EMP. Protection of the critical infrastructures--including electric power, communications, transportation, energy, banking and finance, food and water--is a very broad challenge. Issues for the Task Force on National and Homeland Security include: EMP, proliferation, energy security, financial issues, missile defense, intelligence and any other issues of relevance.

It is understood that, as there are no congressional monies available for the support of the Task Force on National and Homeland Security, the Task Force must be self-sustaining by means of private contributions of funding, labor, and other support.

Sincerely,

Roscoe Bartlett

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