

\$250M Iraq Demining Fund Proposed in Congress

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Washington, D.C. Buried in the "Bring the Troops Home and Iraq Sovereignty Restoration Act of 2007" (H.R. 508) is a \$250M authorization for the destruction of landmines, UXO and cleanup of depleted uranium (DU) artillery in Iraq. The funding also known as the "Iraq Demining Fund" is in addition to the amounts otherwise available for such purposes. The language in the Bill allows the President to determine the exact terms and conditions in how the money is to be appropriated.

H.R. 508 is still being debated in Congress and the ultimate fate of the Iraq Demining Fund is unknown at this time especially given the apparent differences in opinions between the President and top Democrats in Congress regarding funding and policy decisions with respect to the war in Iraq. To view Section 204 of H.R. 508 use the download link below.