

## U.S. House of Representatives

## Committee on Resources Washington. DC 20515

September 29, 2006

Mr. Milton Copulos President. National Defense Council Foundation 1620 Eton Way Crofton, MD 21114

Dear Mr. Milton Copulos:

I am writing to thank you for appearing before the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources to present testimony at the legislative hearing on Wednesday, September 20, 2006, concerning H.R. 6080, The Resources Origin and Commodity Knowledge Act.

The Subcommittee intends to continue its inquiry into the global supply and use of natural resources critical to the nation's economic stability and general security. Your testimony was extremely helpful in defining the Subcommittee's understanding of the issue. I appreciate the effort you took to prepare and present your testimony.

While many questions were asked during the hearing, the Subcommittee has additional questions, attached, for your reply. Please forward your responses to the Subcommittee, attention Ross Branch, Clerk, at 1626 Longworth House Office Building no later than Wednesday, October 4, 2006. Committee Rule 4(h) requires the responses within 10 business days of the last day of the hearing

Once again, thank you for your extensive effort in making this a valuable hearing.

Sincerely,

Hon. Jim Gibbon Chairman

Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources