

Congressman Pence serves as ranking member of the Middle East Subcommittee and today he took to the House floor to denounce Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad. Below are some excerpts from his speech. Click [here](#) to read the entire speech.

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"The reasons to do so are legion. Iran, for instance, denies the Holocaust and hosted a Holocaust denying conference which aired on Arab television across the region. President Ahmadinejad, as I will describe in a moment, has repeatedly advocated 'wiping Israel off the map.' Their headlong and reckless pursuit of a nuclear weapons program ominously would enable them to do that in a matter of minutes when combined with their missile technology.

"Iran supplies and trains insurgents fighting U.S Forces and Iraqi Forces in Iraq, as General Petraeus and Ambassador Crocker and the physical evidence and the incarceration of Iranian intelligence now in Baghdad now attest.

"Iran supports Hezbollah, Hamas and other terrorist organizations. But I want to speak specifically to yesterday and today's events involving the Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad, who arrived yesterday for a forum at Columbia University and an address at the United Nations today.

"Let me be clear, if our colleagues have no other reason to support H.R. 1400 we can look to the rhetoric and the statements in the past 48 hours of President Ahmadinejad. He is a destabilizing force leading a threatening country and gave evidence of that repeatedly in statements on American television, Columbia University, and I expect at the U.N. today."

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"Yet his musings are as clear and as threatening as those musings written in a prison cell in the 1930's, Mein Kampf. This is a man on a misguided mission. This is a dangerous and deluded leader. We ignore his intents at our peril.

"While his speech at Columbia University yesterday was described as a rambling speech by the New York Times that meandered from science and religion, to the creation of human beings, it was his claim that he was a 'peaceful man,' that Iran possessed, as he made some mention to, a thriving Jewish community. And his claim that Iran was a country where no homosexuals live."