

6. AN AMENDMENT TO BE OFFERED BY REPRESENTATIVE  
FRANKS OF ARIZONA, OR HIS DESIGNEE,  
DEBATABLE FOR 10 MINUTES:

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5122, AS REPORTED  
OFFERED BY MR. FRANKS OF ARIZONA**

At the end of title XII (page 419, after line 7), insert the following new section:

1 **SEC. 12. HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT FOR IRAQI CHILDREN IN URGENT NEED OF MEDICAL CARE.**

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3 (a) **FINDINGS.**—Congress makes the following findings:  
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5 (1) The Secretary of Defense has discretionary  
6 authority to permit space-available travel on military  
7 aircraft for various reasons, including humanitarian  
8 purposes.

9 (2) Recently, 110 Iraqi children journeyed 22  
10 hours by bus from Baghdad, Iraq, to Amman, Jordan,  
11 for urgently needed oral/facial surgery. While  
12 traveling, armed insurgents stopped and boarded the  
13 children's bus, raising serious questions about the  
14 safety of further travel by ground.

15 (3) Pursuant to the Secretary's discretionary  
16 authority referred to in paragraph (1), the Secretary  
17 authorized the Iraqi children to travel on military  
18 aircraft for their return trip from Amman to Baghdad.  
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1           (4) The Secretary is to be commended for his  
2           initiative in providing for the safe return of these  
3           children to Iraq by military aircraft.

4           (b) SENSE OF CONGRESS.—It is the sense of Con-  
5           gress that the Secretary of Defense should continue to  
6           provide space-available travel on military aircraft for hu-  
7           manitarian reasons to Iraqi children who would otherwise  
8           have no means available to seek urgently needed medical  
9           care such as that provided by a humanitarian organization  
10          in Amman, Jordan.

11          (c) FUNDING SUPPORT.—Within the amount pro-  
12          vided in section 301 for Operation and Maintenance, De-  
13          fense-wide—

14                 (1) \$1,000,000 shall be available only for De-  
15                 partment of Defense support of the Peace Through  
16                 Health Care Initiative; and

17                 (2) the amount provided for Budget Activity 4  
18                 is reduced by \$1,000,000.

