

ADDITIONAL VIEWS OF REPRESENTATIVE MIKE CASTLE (R-DELAWARE)
TO BE APPENDED TO THE REPORT OF THE JOINT INQUIRY
ON THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2001 TERRORIST ATTACKS ON THE UNITED STATES

I fully support the findings and recommendations that were debated and approved by the Members and Senators serving on the Joint Inquiry on the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks on the United States. As the outgoing Chairman of HPSCI's Technical and Tactical Subcommittee, I want to communicate my strong support for Recommendation 10 concerning the National Security Agency's past performance and future role in the global war on terrorism. Specifically, the Joint Inquiry's Recommendation 10 mandates a report from the Director of the National Security Agency to the House and Senate Intelligence Committees no later than June 30, 2003 that will provide the following: (1) a description of solutions for the technological challenges confronting the NSA in the war on terrorism; (2) a quarterly review of the goals, products to be delivered, funding levels, and schedules for every NSA technology development program so as to ensure strict accountability for NSA program expenditures; (3) the implementation by NSA, CIA and FBI of a strategy to fully integrate these agencies' collection and analytic capabilities in the war on terrorism; and (4) the development of legislative proposals to improve NSA's coordination and collaboration with other elements of the U.S. Intelligence Community.

Although the issue of visa issuances and control was not within the scope and jurisdiction of the Joint Inquiry's review, we did review some information that gave us a glimpse into this issue. As a result, I am very concerned that significant reforms need to be implemented immediately with respect to the management, coordination and oversight of our Nation's visa program. The visa program has suffered from a lack of accountability, unclear lines of bureaucratic responsibility between the Departments of State and Justice, and contradictory legal authorities. The State Department's Bureau of Consular Affairs and the Justice Department's Immigration and Naturalization Service have joint responsibility for the management of our visa program, yet this program's administration has been characterized by poor management practices, uneven enforcement policies, and inadequate coordination between these agencies and other elements of the U.S. intelligence and law enforcement communities. The majority of the