

Obama's First 100 Days on Global Peace and Security

Selected Campaign Promises and Actions: Completed Some Progress No Action

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Civil-Military Balance

- Double U.S. spending on foreign aid to \$50 billion a year by 2012, establish a global education fund
- End the abuse of supplemental budgets for war, set standards for hiring defense contractors
- Increase the size of the Army, Marine Corps, special operations forces, civil affairs, and the foreign service
- Restructure and streamline USAID and double the Peace Corp by 2011
- Create a Civilian Assistance Corps
- Increase non-military aid to Afghanistan by \$1 billion

Middle East Diplomacy, Iran

- Dennis Ross appointed Special Advisor on the Gulf and Southwest Asia
- Improve relations with Turkey, support democracy promotion, human rights, and its efforts to join the European Union
- Launch robust diplomatic effort with Iraq and its neighbors
- Extend an open hand of diplomacy to Iran
 - Nooruz message to Iranians, letter to Iranian officials
- Improve relations with the Middle East and Muslim World. Completed:
 - Address the Muslim world in a speech in a Middle Eastern capitol city
 - Reach out to the Muslim World in an interview on Al-Arabiya
 - Meet with Syrian Ambassador (senior state dept. official)
 - Send Senior officials on a "listening" tour of the Middle East
- Open "America Houses" in Islamic Cities around the globe

Iraq

- Direct military leaders to end war in Iraq – End date of Aug 31, 2010
 - Exit strategy announced including a 50,000 transition force
- Christopher Hill appointed US Ambassador to Iraq
- Begin removing combat brigades from Iraq

- Form an international group and provide \$2 billion for services to Iraq refugees
- Ensure no permanent bases remain in Iraq

Afghanistan and Pakistan

- Make Afghanistan the U.S.'s top overseas priority
 - Established Afghanistan-Pakistan Policy Task Force
 - Deploying 17,000 troops to Afghanistan
 - Strikes against al Qaeda targets in Pakistan will continue
- Appointed Richard Holbrooke as special representative to Afghanistan and Pakistan
- Train and equip Afghan army
- Establish a Contact Group on Afghanistan including neighboring states
- Make U.S. military aid to Pakistan conditional on anti-terror efforts
- Work to end NATO restrictions on forces in Afghanistan

Israel / Palestine

- Work towards an end to the Israeli/Palestinian Conflict beginning on Day 1
 - Calls PM Olmert of Israel, President Mubarak of Egypt, King Abdallah of Jordan and President Abbas of the Palestinian Authority (Day 2)
- Appointed George Mitchell as special envoy for the Middle East Peace Process
- Memo to Sec. of State urges assistance for Refugee and Migration needs in Gaza
- Provide \$30 billion over 10 years to Israel

Foreign Policy

- Grant Americans unrestricted rights to visit family and send money to Cuba
- Reinstate high level ties with Russia
- Pressure Sudan to end violence in Darfur
- Press China to end its support for regimes in Sudan, Burma, Iran, Zimbabwe
- Work for the release of international dissidents
- Create a rapid response fund for emerging democracies

Nuclear weapons

- Joint Statement with European Council denounces North Korean missile launch, encourages UN issued punishment for the offense
- U.S. joins talk on Iranian nuclear program, invites Iran to the table
- Extend monitoring and verification provisions of the START I Treaty
- Secure nuclear weapons material, enact measures to prevent nuclear fuel from becoming nuclear bombs, reduce stockpiles, convene a summit
- Strengthen the Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty, Secure ratification of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty, Strengthen the Int'l Atomic Energy Agency
- Appoint a White House Coordinator for Nuclear Security
- Review weapons programs

Counter Terrorism

- Executive Order requires interrogation methods to comply with Army Field Manual guidelines and the Geneva Convention
- Orders the closure of the Guantanamo Bay Detention Center within one year and initiates a review of all detainees (one released so far)
- CIA announces that "black sites" (detention centers abroad) will be closed
- Released Bush era Justice Dept Memos authorizing and outlining torture techniques, announces interrogators will not be persecuted.
- Develop an alternative to the Military Commissions Act on handling detainees
- End the use of torture and extraordinary rendition,
- Secure Americas borders and ports of action
- Ensure the Guard and Reserves can meet their homeland security missions