

“Oversight Hearing on Sexual Assault in the Military”

On July 31, 2008, the Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing to examine the status of sexual response and prevention within the U.S. military. This hearing sought to ensure that the Department of Defense (DOD) has adequate policies and oversight mechanisms in place to prevent, treat, and punish sexual assaults. // // // // //

WITNESS LIST:

Panel One – Members of Congress (Statements Only):

- Honorable Louise M. Slaughter, Member of Congress (NY-28)
- Honorable Jane Harman, Member of Congress (CA-36)

Panel Two – Victims and Family Members:

- Ms. Ingrid Torres, MSW, CSW, Washington, DC
- Mrs. Mary Lauterbach, Mother of Lance Cpl. Maria Lauterbach, Vandalia, Ohio

Panel Three – Department of Defense, U.S. Army, and GAO:

- Mr. Michael Dominguez, Principal Deputy Undersecretary for Defense (Personnel and Readiness)
- Dr. Kaye Whitley, Director, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Office, U.S. Department of Defense [invited; did not appear at the hearing]

- Lieutenant General Michael D. Rochelle, Deputy Chief of Staff G-1, United States Army
- Ms. Brenda S. Farrell, Director, Defense Capabilities and Management, U.S. Government Accountability Office

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