

Chairman John F. Tierney (D-MA) made the following statement in response to the Government Accountability Office (GAO) report he co-commissioned, entitled, *U.S. Lacks Comprehensive Plan to Destroy Terrorist Threat and Close Safe Haven in Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas*

*The GAO's conclusion gets at precisely the concern that prompted me to request this report. In our seventh year after 9/11, and notwithstanding a law requiring it to develop a comprehensive strategy, the Bush Administration continues to employ a haphazard approach to our most pressing terrorism threat. If we are to ensure that Pakistan's tribal areas no longer serve as a terrorist safe haven, we need to bring American innovation, foresight, resources, and talent together. And, any solution requires that we work with Pakistan's newly-elected democratic government and its people.*

## **Documents and Links**

- [GAO Report on Terrorism in Pakistan's Federally Administered Tribal Areas](#)