

Chairman Towns Announces Hearing to Examine Wartime Contracting Commission Report

WASHINGTON – Chairman Edolphus “Ed” Towns (D-NY) today announced that the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will hold a hearing on Thursday, September 23, 2010 entitled, “Transition in Iraq: Is the State Department Prepared to Take the Lead?” The hearing will examine issues raised by the Commission on Wartime Contracting’s report, released on July 12, 2010, entitled, [“Better Planning for Defense-to-State Transition in Iraq Needed to Avoid Mistakes and Waste.”](#) The Committee will receive testimony from the co-chairmen of the Commission, Christopher Shays and Michael Thibault and the Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction (SIGIR) Stuart Bowen.

The hearing will take place at 10:00 a.m. in room HVC-210 of the Capitol Visitor Center. Doors open to credentialed members of the media at 9:00 a.m. and to the general public at 9:45 a.m. A live webcast of the hearing will be available on the committee’s website: oversight.house.gov.

The witnesses invited to testify include:

The Honorable Christopher Shays
Co-Chairman
Commission on Wartime Contracting

Mr. Michael J. Thibault
Co-Chairman
Commission on Wartime Contracting

Mr. Stuart W. Bowen, Jr.
Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction

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Documents and Links

[**Witness Invitation Letter for Christopher Shays and Michael Thibault.**](#)

[Witness Invitation Letter for SIGIR Stuart Bowen.](#)