Washington, DC - Today, the Iraq Study Group, led by former Secretary of State James A Baker III and former Representative Lee H. Hamilton (D-IN), released its report assessing the conduct of the war in Iraq to date and outlining options for the U.S. to pursue in light of changed conditions in the region.

Rep. Charlie Gonzalez issued the following statement:

"I welcome the arrival of the Iraq Study Group's findings. It will be incumbent upon all of us in Congress and President Bush to read it carefully, study the assessments made by the group and move forward with a more realistic and effective approach in Iraq. I want to reassure our men and women in uniform of our full support and that any change in strategy will make their safety and welfare a priority. This nation's elected leaders owe all Americans the duty of formulating an Iraqi policy based on sound analysis of the actual facts. Hopefully, this report will provide some guidance."