

Opposition to Hagel Nomination Grows

More than 17,000 people have responded to a Christians United for Israel (CUFI) action alert launched recently asking individuals to email their Senators in opposition to the potential nomination of former Senator Chuck Hagel as Secretary of Defense.

The text of the email sent to Senators is as follows:

As a member of Christians United for Israel, I'm writing to ask you to publicly oppose the nomination of Senator Chuck Hagel to be our next Secretary of Defense. The easiest time to stop Hagel's nomination is before it's ever made.

The greatest threat to our security and that of our front-line ally Israel is a rising and potentially nuclear Iran. Yet Senator Hagel has demonstrated a troubling blind spot towards this threat. In the Senate, he repeatedly opposed economic sanctions on Iran intended to stop its nuclear program.

He also opposed recognizing Iran's Revolutionary Guard as a terrorist organization. Finally, he refused to support efforts to further isolate Iran's number one puppet: Hezbollah.

As a combat veteran, Senator Hagel deserves our respect. As a former senator, he deserves your cordiality. But America deserves someone who recognizes the greatest threats facing us to lead the Defense Department.

Please oppose the nomination of Senator Hagel for Secretary of Defense.

Christians United for Israel is the largest pro-Israel organization in the United States and one of the leading Christian grassroots movements in the world. CUFI has more

than 1.1 million members, spans all fifty states and reaches millions with its message. Each year, CUFI holds hundreds of pro-Israel events in cities around the country. And each July, thousands of pro-Israel Christians gather in Washington, D.C. to participate in the CUFI Washington Summit and make their voices heard in support of Israel and the Jewish people.

CUFI's mission is to provide a national association through which every pro-Israel church, parachurch organization, ministry or individual in America can speak and act with one voice in support of Israel.