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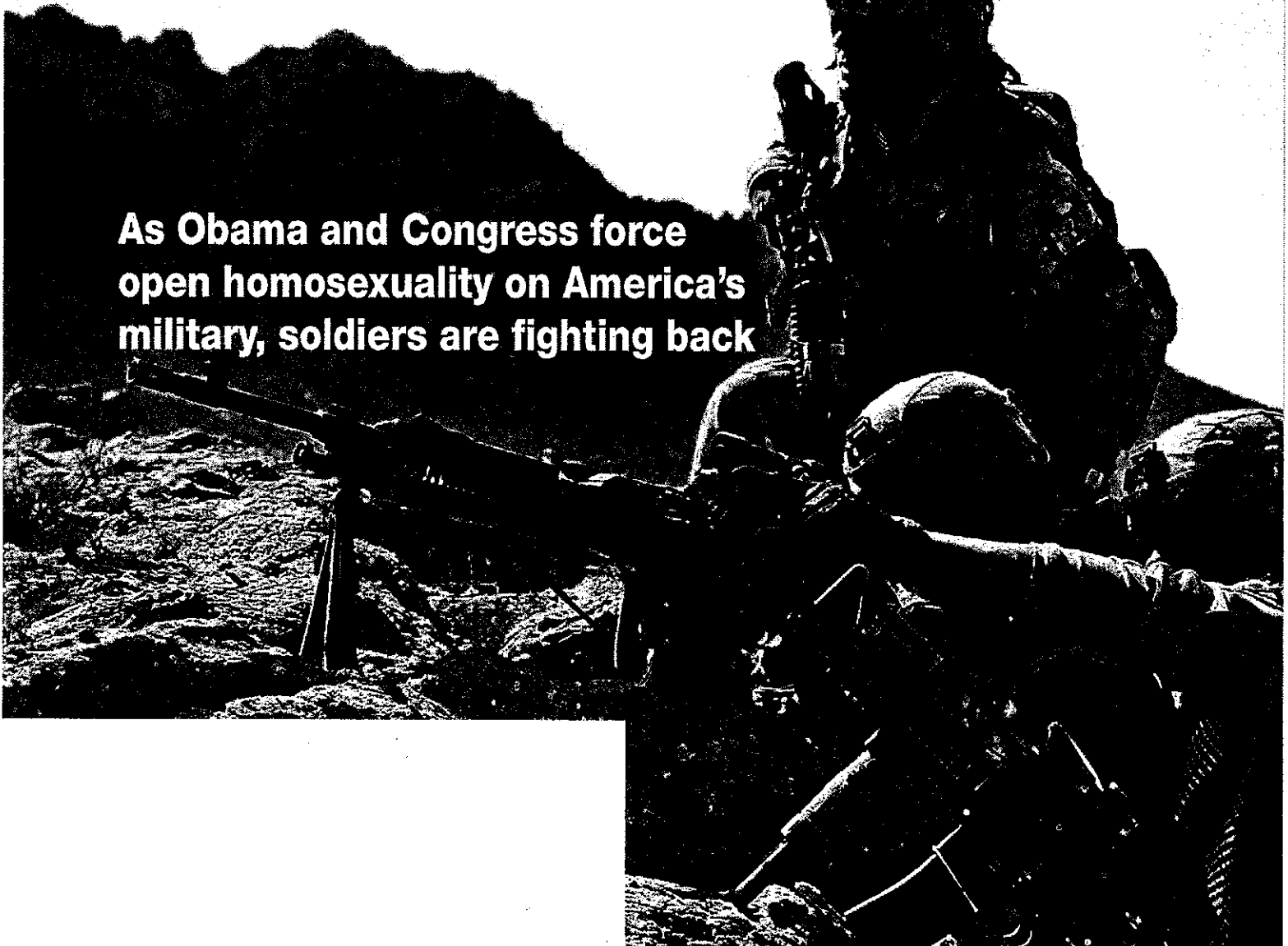
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DROPPING THE 'H'-BOMB

**As Obama and Congress force
open homosexuality on America's
military, soldiers are fighting back**



THE HEADLINES ARE WRONG: 'DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL' HAS NOT BEEN REPEALED

By Cliff Kincaid

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THE headlines said that the Pentagon's homosexual exclusion policy had been repealed.

"Don't ask, don't tell' is repealed by Senate; bill awaits Obama's signing," was the headline over the front page article in the Washington Post by Ed O'Keefe. But the article went on to note, in the 22nd paragraph, that top military leaders must find or certify that changes to the current policy "must not affect troop readiness, cohesion or military recruitment and retention."

How is this possible when Marine Commandant Gen. Jim Amos has already said that the changes would cost lives?

Calling repeal a major distraction, Amos said, "I don't want to lose any Marines to the distraction. I don't want to have any Marines that I'm visiting at Bethesda [National Naval Medical Center, in Maryland] with no legs be the result of any type of distraction."

The Post went on, "Even after the finding, lawmakers will be able to hold hearings for two months to review the Pentagon's policies and procedures for accepting openly gay troops, according to congressional aides familiar with the matter."

This leaves open the door for Rep. Buck McKeon, R-Calif., the new chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, to hold hearings. McKeon opposes repeal and praised Amos for his comments.

McKeon had told reporters that he wanted to hold hearings that would include rank-and-file service members along with military leaders. "I would really like to hear from battlefield commanders," McKeon said. "I would like to hear from battalion commanders, I would like to hear from company commanders on the front lines in Afghanistan and Iraq to see what their feelings are."

The New York Times story on the "repeal" simply noted, "The repeal will not take effect for at least 60 days while some other procedural steps are taken. In addition, the bill requires the defense secretary to determine that policies are in place to carry out the repeal 'consistent with military standards for readiness, effectiveness, unit cohesion, and recruiting and retention.'"

The "procedural steps" that are part of the bill give the new conservative-controlled House an opportunity to derail the repeal policy.

In terms of recruiting, Elaine Donnelly of the Center for Military Readiness points out that the Pentagon survey of the troops found that if open homosexuals were admitted, 32 percent of Marines said they would leave the service sooner than planned, and 16.2 percent would consider an early end to their careers. Among Army combat arms personnel, 21.4 percent would leave sooner than planned, and 14.6 percent would think about leaving.

These losses "could put remaining troops in greater danger, and break the All-Volunteer Force," Donnelly points out.

So will Congress approve the changes, knowing that they could result in the return of the military draft?

As the Times indicates, the specific language of the bill is that the repeal must be "consistent with the standards of military readiness, military effectiveness, unit cohesion, and recruiting and retention of the Armed Forces."

The burden is on the "gay rights" lobby to prove that the changes would have no negative effect on any of the above. How can they prove such a thing when the Pentagon has already concluded that the change is risky and faces opposition from as many as 60 percent of our combat troops?



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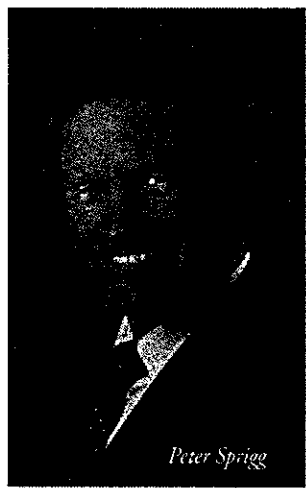
SAVING SOLDIERS FROM

Allowing open homosexuals in the military will lead

THERE is a simple reason why the gay rights lobby has pushed so hard to rush through repeal of the Pentagon's homosexual exclusion policy. They know a comprehensive review would disclose the substantial evidence that admission of open and active homosexuals would put our troops in further danger through exposure to tainted blood. In fact, evidence to this effect is in the hands of top military commanders and Pentagon officers.

The Pentagon understands that 19,000 soldiers already have HIV/AIDS and that some – if not most – came down with the deadly disease through prohibited gay sexual conduct. It is common sense that opening the ranks to open and active homosexuals would only increase this problem.

Here's another critical fact that a comprehensive review would disclose: There is no blood test that can be guaranteed to screen HIV and other deadly diseases out of the blood supply once the gay males, who are currently prohibited from donating blood, are welcomed into the services.



Peter Sprigg

Meantime, Peter Sprigg of the Family Research Council reports in a blockbuster new study that the evidence indicates that a disproportionate number of assaults in the military are committed by homosexuals. (See full report on page 24)

The evidence, in short, already demonstrates a significant problem of homosexual misconduct in the armed forces, even though such behavior is supposed to be prohibited.

Oblivious to the demonstrated need to tighten up rather than loosen the current policy, the Washington Post has editorialized that it is "reprehensible" to keep homosexuals out of the military. One of the Post's leading editorial writers, Jonathan Capehart, is a homosexual activist who used to cover gay sex clubs.

The gay rights lobby is labeling as "offensive" a new video that exposes homosexual misconduct in the Armed Forces and wants it taken down from YouTube. They have not pinpointed one factual inaccuracy in the film or in the heavily documented 60-page report by Dale O'Leary that forms the basis of it.

Their desperation is being guided by the realization that male homosexual conduct is directly linked to tainted blood and deadly diseases such as HIV/AIDS, and that no cure or vaccine has yet been found.

They don't want the public to learn about cases such as Johnnie Lamar Dalton, a soldier who came down with HIV and then infected a boy he met in a gay online chat room. Dalton went to prison, but homosexuals in the armed forces coming down with HIV/AIDS cost at least \$18,000-\$20,000 a year per patient.



Johnnie Lamar Dalton

The gays and their allies, however, don't care about the troops. They want their "rights" and they want them now. They simply don't care if a premature policy change causes thousands of our soldiers to leave the armed forces in disgust and dismay and thousands more never to sign up because they don't want to room or shower with individuals sexually attracted to them.

When the gays realized the November elections would mean more conservatives being elected to Congress and more opposition to repeal of the policy, they decided to accelerate their demands and called on their congressional allies, led by Sen. Carl Levin, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, to move up the schedule. That is why Congress is right now in the midst of dealing with this far-reaching policy change.

A matter of life and death, gay males can't donate blood but Levin and his allies want them in the service anyway, put in a position where they could be called upon to donate blood and could bleed on their fellow soldiers.

GAY DEATH to AIDS-tainted blood

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While the gay rights lobby and their backers in the George Soros-funded Center for American Progress smear anybody drawing attention to this problem as a "hate-monger," the facts are the facts. Their real agenda is censorship of the truth about the health hazards of the gay lifestyle.

The civilian sector is not immune to this kind of special interest politics. The Obama administration, working with the same liberal politicians pushing repeal of DADT, is also considering lifting the ban on gay men donating blood. That means that civilians could soon be facing the same deadly threat now stalking our soldiers on the battlefield.

Indeed, consider the major media's failure to mention the first U.S. case of transfusion-transmitted HIV infection reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention since 2002. The case involved a bisexual man who lied on his questionnaire and gave HIV-infected blood. "He indicated that the sex often was anonymous and occurred while he was intoxicated," the official report says.

The case is relevant to the debate over "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" because one can safely assume that the next demand will be to lift the prohibition on gay men donating blood.

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VOICES FROM THE FRONT LINES

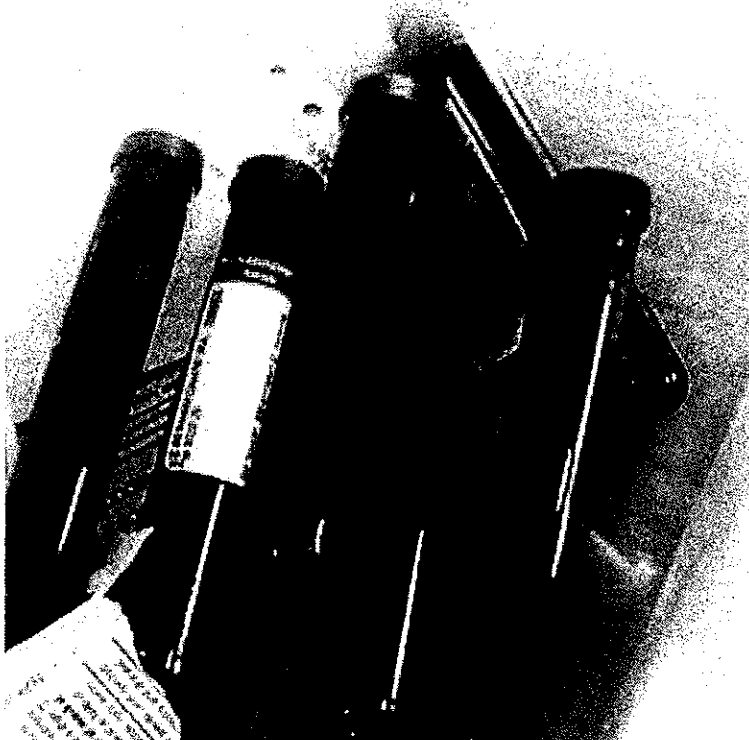
"I am a former female Marine and married to a retired Army Special Forces man. I think one of the avenues you should be watching is the takeover of the military as a desired goal. By this I mean, the military and liberals/socialists in this country have historically despised one another. By taking over the military with literally 2 percent of the country (2 percent being gay), they can essentially run out a damn good many of the soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines – and then we'll end up with a military that is friendly to the liberals. That won't be good – but it is exactly what they want." —*Tami, veteran, U.S. Marines*

"This new policy pending implementation is absurd to the highest degree. Placing our nation's safety in jeopardy because of social mismanagement, political correctness and pressures from unthinking, selfish, disloyal elitists who have never been part of military operations is funny-farm insanity! I know military, support military, love the men and women in uniform and those who are out of uniform having served already. May God bless America as we put a stop to this insanity." —*Warren F. Rosenbaum, major, U.S. Air Force, Ret., Pleasant Grove, Utah*

"As a vet who served in the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Air Force I am sick of what has happened to our military by our Congress and Senate members in voting for the repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." This action has nothing to do with the civil rights of anyone. To hear the top military general say it is good for the military makes me want to puke." —*Name withheld by request, U.S. Air Force/Navy NCO*

"I am a 76-year-old retired navy chief petty officer (E-7) who served 20 years continuous active service. I am opposed to [repealing] the DADT law. When I wrote my two senators, I told them that those knuckleheads forcing this law on the military have never, and I mean never, been asleep in a bunk and been awakened by a hand slowly moving around your 'junk' or perhaps kissing you on various parts of your body. The powers-that-be need to earnestly listen to the commandant of the Marine Corps who is opposed to this law, but being a good Marine that he is, will carry out his orders. God help the United States military, the greatest now and in the history of the world." —*Charles Beersdorf, chief yeoman, U.S. Navy, Ret.*

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February 3, 2011

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Re: Repeal of Law Regarding the Ineligibility of Homosexuals for Military Service,
Section 654, Title 10, U.S.C.

Dear Chairman McKeon and Wilson:

The undersigned represent some of the largest multi-racial, multi-ethnic, and multi-generational faith-based and policy organizations in the country, with approximately 40 million constituents combined. We encourage you to hold hearings regarding the repeal of the law that prevents homosexuals from being eligible to serve in the military, Section 654, Title 10, U.S.C. (1993), as soon as possible.

As you know, the repeal, which was passed during the lame duck session with little discussion of the effects of such repeal, has not yet gone into effect. In fact, prior to its implementation, President Obama, Admiral Mullen, and Secretary Gates must certify that allowing homosexuals to serve will not have negative consequences for the military. Additionally, even when they provide the certification, knowing the negative effects that will ensue, the repeal law requires 60 days to pass before the repeal goes into effect.

Thus, there is still time to save our military, and especially our service-members with sincerely held religious beliefs that will, inevitably, be silenced by non-discrimination policies that elevate and favor sexual minorities.

We encourage you to conduct hearings regarding the flaws in the Comprehensive Review Working Group Report and the real and negative effects of a full repeal. Additionally, in the

meantime, we would appreciate you pushing for a vote on Representative Hunter's bill, H.R. 337, the Restore Military Readiness Act of 2011, which amends the repeal bill that was passed in December, to add a new paragraph,

The Chief of Staff of the Army, the Chief of Naval Operations, the Commandant of the Marine Corps, and the Chief of Staff of the Air Force each submit to the congressional defense committees the officer's written certification that repeal of section 654 of title 10, United States Code, will not degrade the readiness, effectiveness, cohesion, and morale of combat arms units and personnel of the Armed Force under the officer's jurisdiction engaged in combat, deployed to a combat theater, or preparing for deployment to a combat theater.

The 1993 law was passed after twelve legislative hearings and field trips – our military deserves similar consideration today. We appreciate the efforts you have undertaken thus far in securing the readiness and effectiveness of the greatest military in the world. Please remain vigilant.

Sincerely,

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