

Congressman Steve King released the following statement regarding President Obama's speech tonight outlining the Administration's strategy for the war in Afghanistan.

"Candidate Barack Obama stated, 'I will finally finish the fight against bin Laden and the al-Qaida terrorists who attacked us on 9/11. I will never hesitate to defend this nation.' I do not believe that announcing an exit strategy can contribute to anything except defeat. We must give our American fighting forces the time, resources and support to complete their mission. Tonight we needed the president to stand up and say, 'This is a war that we have to win,' and he needed to be convincing, especially to al-Qaida."