



Open Letter to Sen. Johnny Isakson

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Dear Senator Isakson,

On behalf of the 13,000 members of Concerned Women for America of Georgia, I urge you to sign Sen. Jim DeMint's letter **opposing** the Law of the Sea Treaty (LOST). This treaty is extremely dangerous for the United States for the following reasons:

1. By ratifying LOST, the U.S. would give up its sovereignty in exchange for begging unelected international officials for permission to use its own resources. The treaty establishes a governing authority called the International Seabed Authority (the "Authority") which has the power to tax countries for using their own property.
2. LOST threatens our national sovereignty by subjecting our military and U.S. businesses to mandatory international dispute resolution by others who may be motivated by anti-American agendas. The decisions made by the "Authority" would be final and devoid of any appeals process.
3. LOST requires U.S. companies to transfer strategic technologies to Third World countries, some of them declared or potential enemies of the U.S. Our technological superiority in business and military innovation would be utterly compromised. This provision would strip businesses of their natural and constitutionally protected right to private property. It could also require us to voluntarily hand over military secrets to countries which seek to harm us.

Again, I respectfully urge you to protect the citizens of the United States and oppose the Law of the Sea Treaty.

Concerned Women for America is the nation's largest public policy women's organization with more than 500,000 members.

Sincerely,

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State Director