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Dear Ms Lee:

I am concerned about war. Presidential power over foreign affairs has grown over the years with two old authorization bills routinely used to justify unilateral military action and a variety of bills allowing a range of actions as long as an emergency is declared. The president is stupid, unpredictable and vicious. He has surrounded himself with people such as Mr Bolton and Secretary Pompeo who stroke his ego and try to influence policy toward hostilities all while testing the boundaries of his power. His actions seem focused on destroying anything associated with President Obama and harming Muslims and Hispanics. It appears to be only a matter of time before the US stumbles into a war. I am pleased to see the House version of the military funding bill trying to reign in these dangerous abuses.

Please assure me that you will reclaim congressional war powers.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our restrained military.

Sincerely, Eric Babson