

Letters needed to stop U.S. tax dollars used to promote abortion overseas

This newsletter asks you to write one letter a month to protect innocent human lives.



Summary

This month we ask you to write to your U.S. Representative in Washington, D.C., to support the Mexico City Policy. This pro-life policy prevents our U.S. tax dollars from being used to promote abortion as a method of family planning overseas. Pro-abortion advocates, including International Planned Parenthood Federation, oppose it because they are determined to spread the practice of abortion to Third World countries. **See the SAMPLE MESSAGE.**

Background

The Mexico City Policy (MCP) is an administration policy, first set forth by the Reagan Administration in 1984 at a population conference in Mexico City. The MCP provides that no U.S. population assistance funds can be given to a nongovernmental organization unless it certifies that it will not perform or actively promote abortion as a method of family planning. The term abortion as a method of family planning does not include abortion to save the mother's life or in cases of rape or incest. Most international family planning groups agree to the policy.

SAMPLE MESSAGE:

Please use your own words; contact your U.S. representative via phone, email, or fax.

Date _____

Dear Representative _____,

I ask you to support the Mexico City Policy, which prevents our tax dollars from being used to promote abortion as a method of family planning overseas. Please do not support the Lowey amendment, which strikes the Mexico City Policy from H.R. 2764, the State Department / Foreign Operations Appropriations Bill.

Sincerely,

Your name _____

Your address _____

The policy was overturned by President Clinton in 1993 but reinstated by President Bush in 2001.

Abortion advocates have been conducting a campaign to reverse President Bush's action.

Who is my U.S. Representative?

Visit www.house.gov or call Texas Alliance for Life at 512-477-1244 if you don't already know.

In 2007, the House of Representatives approved an amendment

by Rep. Nita Lowey (D-NY) to negate the MCP. This amendment was attached to the Fiscal Year 2008 State Department / Foreign Operations Appropriations Bill (H.R. 2764), which awaits action by conference committee.