

Thursday, May 20, 2010

**ADVISORY: THURSDAY, MAY 20, 9:30 AM ET AFGHANISTAN OVERSIGHT  
HEARING**

***As American casualties in Afghanistan surpass 1,000 ...***

**CHAIRMAN CARNAHAN CONVENES AFGHANISTAN  
RECONSTRUCTION OVERSIGHT HEARING**

*Afghanistan Inspector General Will Testify Before Oversight  
Committee Regarding Ongoing Reconstruction Efforts in Afghanistan*

(WASHINGTON, DC) – As the American death toll in Afghanistan passes 1,000, Congressman Russ Carnahan (MO-3) will convene a Foreign Affairs Subcommittee hearing Thursday investigating reconstruction, and security in Afghanistan with Major General Arnold Fields (USMC- Retired) testifying. Major General Franks has served as Inspector General of Afghanistan Reconstruction since July 2008.

Earlier this month, Carnahan took part in a Foreign Affairs Committee trip where he and other members of the bipartisan delegation witnessed reconstruction firsthand.

**“Our men and women in uniform are still hard at work in Iraq and Afghanistan, putting their lives on the line to help make America safer and more secure,”** Russ Carnahan said. **“We have to make sure that the reconstruction strategies we’re employing support success on the ground. It’s critical to the self-sufficiency of Afghanistan, the safety of our troops, and the security of the world.”**

Carnahan serves as Chairman of the Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on International Organizations, Human Rights and Oversight.