Petition for Diplomatic & Humanitarian Surge in Afghanistan

We agree with Kevin Martin, Executive Director of Peace Action that "instead of sending more Americans to die in Afghanistan in a conflict that experts agree is unwinnable militarily, we need a diplomatic and humanitarian surge.

"A recent RAND Corporation report concluded that, since 1968, only seven percent of all terrorist groups that have ended were taken down by military force. In contrast, 40 percent of those groups were defeated through police and intelligence work, and 43 percent gave up terrorism as they were integrated into the political process.

"We know from the British and Russians that occupation in Afghanistan doesn't work. The U.S. needs to push for regional diplomatic discussions that include all stakeholders. The U.S. needs to stop the killing of civilians by stopping air and drone strikes. Lastly, the international community needs to help the Afghan humanitarian crisis by increasing aid and development."

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