

The American People Have Spoken: Calls to Congress 499 to 1 against Syria war

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Americans are slamming at least 24 members of Congress with thousands of phone calls and emails, urging lawmakers not to approve a military strike on Syria - by a margin of as much as 499 to 1.

A national debate is raging on Twitter. Tweets and statements from members of Congress - both Democrat and Republican - show tremendously strong opposition to President Obama's call for an air strike on Syria:

Rep. Jim McDermott, D-Wash., tweeted, "Calls and emails from my constituents is 100 to 1 AGAINST getting involved in Syria. The American people are speaking."

Rep. Elijah Cummings, D-Md., said [99 percent](#) of the calls his office oppose an attack.

Rep. Andy Harris, R-Md., said, "Constituents who have contacted my office by phone or mail oppose action in Syria 523-4 so far."

Rep. Thomas Massie, R-Ky., tweeted, "My phones are blowing up, and an overwhelming amount of constituents oppose U.S. military intervention in Syria."

Rep. Matt Salmon, R-Ariz., tweeted, "Syria constituent calls 489-2 against."

Rep. Shelley Capito, R-W.V., said of "about 1,000 calls to my office, maybe 5 are for."

Rep. Vern Buchanan, R-Fla., [said](#) calls and emails to his offices are 600 to 9 against striking Syria.

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Rep. Tim Griffin, R-Ark., tweeted, "I received 225 emails via [www.griffin.house.gov](#) website over the weekend regarding Syria, and out of the 225 only 3 support U.S. military action against Syria."

Rep. Steve Chabot, R-Ohio, said he is getting swamped with phone calls and on-the-street comments from constituents telling him to oppose a strike on Syria.

Rep. Rand Paul, R-Ky., said, "I'm told the phone calls are 9 out of 10 against a strike in Syria, from my constituents in Kentucky."

Rep. Ralph Hall, R-Texas: “I have received hundreds of calls and letters from constituents expressing strong opposition.”

Rep. Michele Bachmann, R-Minn., tweeted, “My office has been inundated with constituent phone calls and emails about Syria. Virtually unanimous opposition to military intervention.”

Rep. Jason Chaffetz, R-Utah, tweeted, “So far about 500 emails regarding Syria. 499 say NO and 1 say YES go to war” and “Hundreds of calls to our Provo and Washington, D.C., office. So far not a single call in favor of bombing Syria.”

Rep. Paul Gosar, R-Ariz., tweeted, “The phones in my office are ringing off the hook and mail is flowing in. Almost all of the people are opposed to intervention in Syria.”

Sen. Mike Lee, R-Utah, tells WND his office is hearing the same overwhelming opposition to intervention.

Rep. Brad Sherman, D-Calif., [said](#), “I don’t know a member of Congress whose e-mails and phone calls are in favor of [bombing Syria.]”

Rep. Steve Southerland, R-Fla., [said](#) 96 percent of his emails and phone calls are from constituents who want to express their opposition to military action. He said, “Overwhelmingly, we are hearing pushback from our citizens against military intervention in Syria.”

Rep. Jeff Duncan, R-S.C., [said](#) he’s heard no support from his constituents for striking Syria: “I have not had a single person, not a single person, in over 92 Facebook posts just a little while ago in a question we posed, having a single constituent or a South Carolinian saying let’s go to war in Syria.”

Sen. Angus King, I-Maine, [said](#) “a very high percentage” of the constituents contacting his office have been against U.S. involvement in Syria. He estimated that [90 percent](#) of more than 1,000 calls and emails from Americans have been urging him not to support intervention.

Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., [said](#), “I can tell you that in my office, the phones are bopping off the hook there. And almost unanimously people are opposed to what the president is talking about.”

Rep. Ted Yoho, R-Fla., told the House Foreign Affairs Committee hearing he and his constituents say “not just no, but heck no!” to Syria intervention.

Rep. Alan Lowenthal, D-Calif., has received [more than 653](#) e-mails, phone calls and social-media. Only 11 of the comments favored strikes.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., admitted her constituents’ calls were [“overwhelmingly negative”](#) over a possible Syria intervention, but she added, “They don’t know what I know.”

Rep. Justin Amash, R-Mich., tweeted, “I’ve been hearing a lot from members of our armed forces. The message I consistently hear: Please vote no on military action against Syria.”



Meanwhile, U.S. men and women in the military are taking to social media to anonymously demand that the Obama administration refrain from sending them to fight Syria.

Uniformed military members posted photos of themselves on Facebook with paper messages covering their faces, declaring:

“I didn’t join the Marine Corps to fight for al-Qaida in a Syrian civil war.”

- “I didn’t sign up to kill the poor for the rich. No war in Syria!”
- “Obama, I will not deploy to fight for your al-Qaida rebels in Syria. WAKE UP, PEOPLE!”
- “I didn’t join the Navy to fight for al-Qaida in a Syrian civil war.”

[WND's own unscientific poll](#) now shows Americans are overwhelmingly opposed to military action in Syria by a 78 to 1 ratio.

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