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Rochester, NY – Congresswoman Louise Slaughter (NY-28), a long-time opponent of the Iraq war, today released the following statement after President Obama announced that all U.S. forces will leave Iraq by the end of the year after the Iraqi government failed to provide immunity for any American servicemen in Iraqi in 2012:

"One of the longest wars in American history is finally over," said Slaughter.

"America's misadventure in Iraq has cost us $9 billion a month and taken the lives of 4,478 of our bravest men and women. It has left tens of thousands more with traumatic brain injuries, post traumatic stress disorder, and the new reality of life without use of a limb.

"We've asked our men and women in uniform to return to the battlefield tour after tour and they have consistently responded to the call bravely and without hesitation. Today, finally, we know that they will come home for good."