



MILITARY RELIGIOUS FREEDOM
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**GOP CONGRESSMAN COLLINS
PROPOSES ABSURD AMENDMENT TO
PROTECT CHRISTIANS IN THE MILITARY
FROM MRFF'S VICTORIES**

**Quotes on behalf of MRFF's Adversary,
First Liberty Institute by their Attorney Hiram Sasser
in 7/18/20 Christian Post Article Below:**

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**THE CHRISTIAN POST
COVERS MRFF**

**Collins' amendment aims to protect
military service members' right to worship**

By: Ryan Foley

Saturday, July 18, 2020

(Excerpts from Christian Post/Emphasis Added by MRFF)

A new amendment has been introduced to the National Defense Authorization Act for the fiscal year 2021 that seeks to protect the religious freedom rights of service members amid the coronavirus pandemic.

The amendment proposed by Rep. Doug Collins, R-Ga., the only military chaplain serving in the 116th Congress, would prevent the Department of Defense from issuing any “guidance, order, or regulation” restricting service members’ attendance at religious services or gatherings “if similar guidance does not exist for other gatherings.”

[...]

They also expressed concerns over the actions taken by military officials in response to complaints from the **Military Religious Freedom Foundation** , a secular legal organization that often pressures the military branches to enforce a strict separation of church and state.

[...]

“I’m always very surprised when we see military commanders immediately jumping through hoops whenever the MRFF contacts them. And for whatever reason, when we raise issues of religious liberty, they have a tendency to want to fight us for a while,” Hiram Sasser, an attorney at the First Liberty Institute, a legal group that defends the First Amendment rights of service members, told The Christian Post.

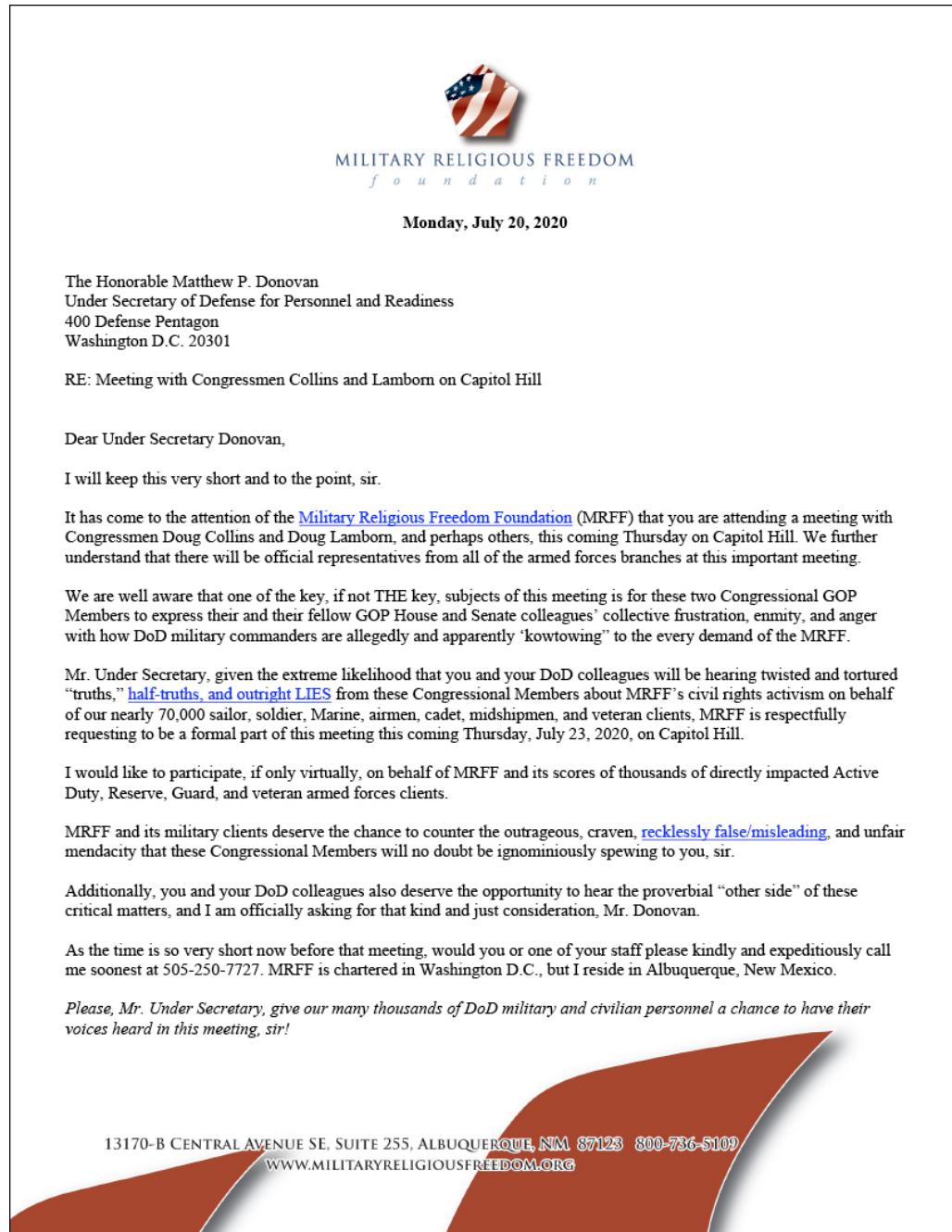
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**MRFF's Letter to Under Secretary of Defense for
Personnel and Readiness Matthew Donovan
Requesting Participation in Capitol Hill Meeting to
Represent the Voices of Nearly 70,000 MRFF Clients**

Monday, July 20, 2020



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**7/6/20 – National Defense Authorization Act to Include
Military Training on How to Force Religion on Others**

**7/2/20 – U.S. Army Sides With MRFF, Incensing 20
Fundamentalist GOP U.S. Congress Members!**

**6/10/20 – GOP Senator Ted Cruz Condemns MRFF in Press
Release and Letter to Secretary of Defense Mark Esper**

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