

VFW Statement on Senator Chuck Hagel Nomination

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The following statement is by Robert E. Wallace, executive director of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, regarding today's nomination of Sen. Chuck Hagel to become the next Secretary of Defense:

"It is not the place for America's oldest and largest combat veterans organization to advise or recommend to the President who he should nominate for cabinet positions. However, the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U.S. considers Chuck Hagel — a twice-wounded Vietnam War infantryman and former two-term U.S. senator from Nebraska — to be uniquely qualified to lead the Department of Defense."