“NOTWITHSTANDING”: HOW CONGRESS ENABLED CHUCK HAGEL AND ASH CARTER TO KEEP CHILD RAPE AND TORTURE FROM DISRUPTING FOREVER WAR

After a victim of child rape by Afghan forces killed three Marines in Afghanistan in 2015, Congress asked SIGAR to investigate how Afghan units continue to receive funding in light of known human rights abuses. Congress has enabled violation of the Leahy laws that prevent such funding by stating that funds to Afghan forces can be provided “notwithstanding any other provision of law”.