

Dear Friend,

When my colleagues and I passed the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act in February, we made a big investment in our economy that must be matched, on just as grand a scale, with an unprecedented commitment to transparency and accountability.

I participated in a meeting with President Obama and his economic advisors this week to discuss the status of the recovery funds. I invite you to check out my new video blog about the meeting on my website, <http://israel.house.gov>.

This recovery will take time, but we are on the right track. I will continue to demand accountability and work to ensure that these taxpayer dollars are working their way through the economy as intended— creating vital investments in infrastructure, energy and health care and creating millions of American jobs. I hope you will continue to share your thoughts with me on my website as I report back on our progress.

Sincerely,

Steve Israel
Member of Congress