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U.S. MILITARY IN EUROPE TO BUY W. VA. COAL

WASHINGTON D.C. --- WEST VIRGINIA'S FOURTH DISTRICT CONGRESSMAN NICK RAHALL, HAS ANNOUNCED THAT U.S. ARMY INSTALLATIONS IN WEST GERMANY AND THE NETHERLANDS WILL USE WEST VIRGINIA COAL.

"ACCORDING TO THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT'S LOGISTICS AGENCY," RAHALL POINTED OUT, "EASTERN COAL ASSOCIATES WILL PROVIDE 38,000 TONS OF WEST VIRGINIA COAL, AT A COST OF \$3.2 MILLION, TO OUR MILITARY FACILITIES IN WEST GERMANY."

"ALSO," RAHALL SAID, "PITTSTON COAL COMPANY WILL PROVIDE 180,000 TONS OF WEST VIRGINIA COAL, AT A COST OF \$13.8 MILLION, TO OUR MILITARY BASES IN THE NETHERLANDS."

CONGRESSMAN RAHALL HAS AUTHORED LEGISLATIVE AMENDMENTS, AND HAS URGED THE DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, TO PURCHASE AMERICAN COAL FOR MILITARY INSTALLATIONS OVERSEAS. "OFTEN IN THE PAST," CONGRESSMAN RAHALL STATED, "AMERICAN MILITARY INSTALLATIONS HAVE USED EUROPEAN COAL, RATHER THAN AMERICAN COAL. HOWEVER, I AM PLEASED WITH THESE PURCHASES, ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF THE CURRENT DEPRESSED STATE OF THE DOMESTIC COAL INDUSTRY."