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Washington D.C. --- U.S. Representative Nick J. Rahall, (D-WV), will leave the nation's capitol on Thursday, November 4, to embark on a 5-day, three nation fact finding mission to the Middle East.

The main purpose of the trip, which is headed up by Rep. John Murtha, (D+PA), is to inspect the U.S. Marine contingent currently stationed in Beirut, Lebanon. The Marines are part of a multi-nation peace keeping force in the country.

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Livingston, (R-LA), and Rep. Charles Dougherty, ((R-PA); will be the
first group of United States Congressmen to visit and inspect U.S.
Military Forces stationed in the Sinai Peninsula of Egypt.

The delegation is scheduled to meet with Lebanon's new president, Amin Gemayel, with whom Congressman Rahall met during Gemayel's recent visit to Washington D.C.; and with Egypt's President Hosni Mubarak. Meetings with government officials in Israel--the third country to be visited--are being arranged.

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