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**Turner and Tsongas to Announce Introduction of the Defense  
STRONG Act to Combat Sexual Assault in the Military**

**Washington, DC** – On Wednesday April 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. Congressman Mike Turner (OH-3) and Congresswoman Niki Tsongas (MA-5) will hold a media availability to discuss the introduction of the Defense Sexual Trauma Response, Oversight and Good Governance Act (The Defense STRONG Act). This bipartisan legislation seeks to expand legal rights and protections for service members who have been the victims of sexual assault.

**WHO:** Congressman Mike Turner (OH-3)  
Congresswoman Niki Tsongas (MA-5)  
Anu Bhagwati, Executive Director of the Service Women's Action Network  
Merle Wilberding, Attorney and Advocate for Families and Victims of Sexual Assault

**WHAT:** Congressman Turner and Congresswoman Tsongas to hold a media availability to discuss the introduction of bipartisan legislation to expand legal rights and protections for service members who have been the victims of sexual assault.

**WHERE:** 2216 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C.

**WHEN:** Wednesday, April 13<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 a.m.

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