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## Letter: World leaders increase their pledges due to US commitment

**At the recent Global Fund replenishment conference, Congress committed \$4.6 billion to fight AIDS, TB and malaria**

### World leaders up pledges due to US commitment

With all the political squabbling going on in our country these days, I am thrilled to say that a bipartisan delegation from our own Congress stood up at the recent replenishment conference for the Global Fund and committed \$4.6 billion to fight AIDS, TB and malaria over the next three years.

This was one-third of the \$14 billion needed to save 16 million lives, and put us on track to ending these diseases by 2030.

Many world leaders at the conference upped their pledges significantly when they heard of the U.S. commitment. So as a volunteer with RESULTS, an organization whose members worked hard for this goal of U.S. leadership, I want to thank East Bay Reps. Mark DeSaulnier, Barbara Lee and Mike Thompson for signing on to House Resolution 517 in support of this funding.

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