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Washington, D.C. — Today, Representative Duncan Hunter, a Marine combat veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan, called for a travel boycott of Mexico until Jon Hammar, a U.S. citizen and former Marine, is released from prison.

“I’m calling on all Americans to boycott travel to Mexico until U.S. citizen and Marine combat veteran Jon Hammar is released,” said Representative Hunter. “I’m also prepared—along with several of my colleagues—to go to Mexico and ask for his immediate release.

“We need to know that the State Department is doing everything it can to secure his release. So far, I haven’t seen the aggressiveness that’s necessary and expected under the circumstances.

“Getting this Marine out of prison and home to his family must be a priority. Marines don’t leave each other behind and I’m willing to do whatever I can to see that he comes home safely.”