



Stick him in the letters column

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From his wandering citations of the "nation's Founders," Doug Bandow of the Cato Institute ("Obama must obey if Congress votes no," Commentary, Sept. 11) concludes: "If President Obama wants to attack Syria, he must have congressional approval."

Given Mr. Bandow's interest in history and his previous position as "special assistant" to President Ronald Reagan, it is indeed strange that he failed to mention that, on April 14, 1986, President Reagan ordered a bombing raid on Libya against Muammar Gaddafi. Although President Reagan discussed his decision with a limited number of congressional leaders a few hours before the attack, there was no prior approval of this attack by the Congress.

In my view, such a biased and misleading article as Mr. Bandow offers has no place in the Commentary section of a fine newspaper like The Journal.

Of course he is entitled to his opinion, but as I see it, that is what "Letters to the Editor" is for.

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