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The Visit of Congressman Eni Faleomavaega to Kyrgyzstan

On June 29, Congressman Faleomavaega, Representative of American Samoa in the United States Congress and Chairman of the Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and the Global Environment of the House Committee of Foreign Affairs, arrived in Kyrgyzstan. Congressman Faleomavaega will hold high-level discussions on improving bilateral relations and economic cooperation with government leaders of the Kyrgyz Republic. The Congressman will also visit Manas Air Base, which supports the coalition effort to bring peace and security to Afghanistan.

Congressman Faleomavaega has been representing the territory of American Samoa in the United States Congress since 1989. Re-elected in November 2008 to an eleventh term by the people of American Samoa, Faleomavaega is the longest serving and only Samoan in the U.S. Congress. He also serves as Chairman of the Foreign Affairs' Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific and the Global Environment. The Subcommittee has broad oversight and jurisdiction over U.S. foreign policies affecting many countries, including Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, and Uzbekistan.