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WILMINGTON — U.S. Representative John Carney released the following statement this evening regarding the situation in Libya:

"The situation in Libya is troubling. Muammar Qaddafi and the Libyan military are murdering civilians and defying the international community's call for a cease-fire.

"I am supportive of U.S.-assisted and UN-sanctioned military action to assure the safety of innocent Libyans.

"President Obama has stated unequivocally that the United States will not deploy any U.S. troops on the ground in Libya. I have deep concern about another extended military commitment in the Middle East, but this appears to be a short-term mission with clear goals and limited scope.

"I believe it is important that we work with our European allies to enforce the UN Security Council resolution and protect the Libyan people."

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