## **Assignment: War Powers Resolution**

The War Powers Resolution was designed to reign in the power of the President when it came to allocating troops for a military purpose. At times, those in both the executive and legislative branches have been relieved to have the restrictions implemented by the War Powers Resolution, but there have been other times when it has hampered the ability of the President to react in times of crisis.

Your assignment is to research the War Powers Resolution and answer the following questions.

- 1. What does the Constitution specifically state regarding war-making power.
- 2. Define the importance of each of the following:
  - 1. 1941 Declaration of War on Japan
  - 2. Tonkin Gulf Resolution of 1964
  - 3. 1973 War Powers Act
  - 4. 2002 Iraq War Resolution
- 3. Compare and contrast the actions taken by the president in each of these situations.
- 4. Do you feel the War Powers Act follows the Constitution? Explain your answer.
- 5. With supportive evidence, do you feel the U.S. needs to develop a new process for deciding to make war?

Submit your completed assignment when you are finished.