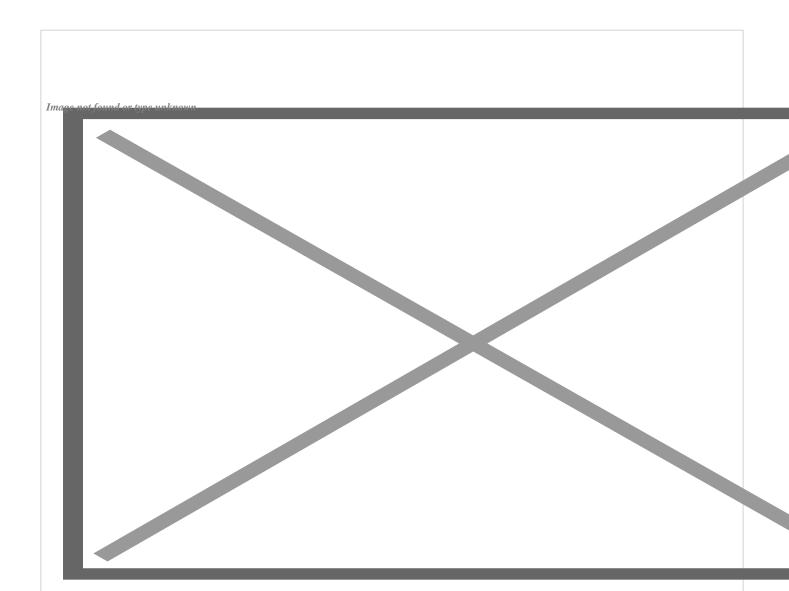
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Speaking from the Senate floor, Bernie Sanders said: "At a time when the scientists are telling us that we face an existential threat in terms of climate change, we are told that we just don't have enough money to transform our energy system away from fossil fuel and create a planet that will be healthy and habitable for our kids and future generations. Just don't have enough money. Yet today the U.S. Senate will begin consideration of an annual defense budget that costs \$778 billion."

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