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AFFAIRS, THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE,  
*Washington, DC, December 16, 2015.*

Hon. PAUL RYAN,  
*Speaker of the House of Representatives,*  
*Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. SPEAKER: (U) Pursuant to Section 135(d)(6) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (AEA), as amended, including as amended by the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015 (Public Law 114–17), enacted May 22, 2015, we hereby enclose the certification relating to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) between the P5+1, the European Union, and Iran.

(U) As required by the statute, the enclosed certification confirms the suspension of sanctions related to Iran pursuant to the agreement is appropriate and proportionate to the specific and verifiable measures taken by Iran with respect to terminating its illicit nuclear program and vital to the national security interests of the United States. As previously explained, the suspension of sanctions related to Iran pursuant to the JCPOA described in section 17 of Annex V of the JCPOA, will take effect only upon Implementation Day, following confirmation by the Secretary of State that the International Atomic Energy Agency has verified that Iran has completed key nuclear-related commitments as set out in sections 15.1–15.11 of Annex V of the JCPOA.

(U) We look forward to answering any questions you may have on this certification, as well as to providing the semi-annual report pursuant to Section 135(d)(4) of the statute in the near future.

(U) We hope this information is useful. Please let us know if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

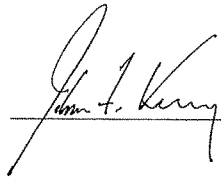
JULIA FRIFIELD,  
*Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs.*

Enclosure.

**Certification to Congress Pursuant to Section 135(d)(6) of the  
Atomic Energy Act of 1954, as amended, including as amended by the  
Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015**

Pursuant to Section 135(d)(6) of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 (Public Law 83-703, 42 USC 2011 et seq.), as amended, including as amended pursuant to the Iran Nuclear Agreement Review Act of 2015, I hereby certify the following with respect to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action concluded on July 14, 2015, including all related materials and annexes, as transmitted to Congress on July 19, 2015 pursuant to Section 135(a)(1)(A), which constitutes the agreement as defined in section 135(h)(1) (the "agreement"):

- (i) Iran is transparently, verifiably, and fully implementing the agreement;
- (ii) Iran has not committed a material breach with respect to the agreement;
- (iii) Iran has not taken any action, including covert activities, that could significantly advance its nuclear weapons program; and
- (iv) the suspension of sanctions related to Iran pursuant to the agreement is appropriate and proportionate to the specific and verifiable measures taken by Iran with respect to terminating its illicit nuclear program, and is vital to the national security interests of the United States.



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Date: DEC 16 2015