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March 23, 2015

The Honorable Candice Miller
Chairman
Committee on House Administration
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Miller:

In compliance with rules issued by the Committee on House Administration, I am enclosing herewith the following reports:

- (1) Summary for February 2015, of specific studies and investigations;
- (2) Statement of expenses for February 2015, and the Fund Balance Statement;
- (3) Monthly report of domestic travel performed, February 2015, and
- (4) Listing of Committee employees for February 2015, titles, and gross monthly salaries.

Copies of the above reports are available in the Committee office for inspection by Members of the Committee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Royce".

Edward R. Royce
Chairman

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FEBRUARY 2 – FEBRUARY 6, 2015

*** MEETINGS, HEARINGS AND MARKUPS ***

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2015

11:00 A.M. **Hearing: “The Strategic Importance of the Western Hemisphere:
Defining U.S. Interests in the Region”**
Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, Chairman Jeff Duncan

WITNESSES:

Shannon K. O’Neil, Ph.D.
Senior Fellow for Latin America Studies
Council on Foreign Relations

Ms. Bonnie Glick
Senior Vice President
GlobalConnect Division
Meridian International Center

Evan Ellis, Ph.D.
Research Professor of Latin American Studies
Strategic Studies Institute
U.S. Army War College

Mr. Eric Farnsworth
Vice President
Council of the Americas and Americas Society

1:30 P.M. **Member Meeting with Her Excellency Tamar Beruchashvili, Minister of
Foreign Affairs to Georgia**
Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, Chairman Dana
Rohrabacher

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2015

10:00 A.M. **Hearing: “Cuba: Assessing the Administration’s Sudden Shift”**
Full Committee, Chairman Edward R. Royce

WITNESSES:

The Honorable Roberta S. Jacobson
 Assistant Secretary
 Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs
 U.S. Department of State

Mr. John E. Smith
 Deputy Director
 Office of Foreign Assets Control
 U.S. Department of the Treasury

Mr. Matthew S. Borman
 Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Export Administration
 Bureau of Industry and Security
 U.S. Department of Commerce

2:00 P.M.

**Hearing: “The Palestinian Authority’s International
 Criminal Court Gambit: A True Partner for Peace?”**

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, Chairman Ileana
 Ros-Lehtinen

WITNESSES:

Jonathan Schanzer, Ph.D.
 Vice President for Research
 Foundation for Defense of Democracies

Mr. Eugene Konotorvich
 Professor of Law
 Northwestern University School of Law

Ms. Danielle Pletka
 Senior Vice President
 Foreign and Defense Policy Studies
 American Enterprise Institute

Mr. David Makovsky
 Ziegler Distinguished Fellow
 The Washington Institute for Near East Policy

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2015

9:30 A.M.

**Members Only Classified Briefing with General John Allen, USMC,
 Retired, Special Presidential Envoy for the Global Coalition to
 Counter ISIL**

Full Committee, Chairman Edward R. Royce

10:00 A.M.

Hearing: “Human Rights in Cuba: A Squandered Opportunity”

Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and
 International Organizations, Chairman Christopher H. Smith

WITNESSES:

Mr. Jorge Luis García Pérez
Secretary General
Cuban National Civic Resistance Front

Ms. Berta Soler Fernández
Leader
Ladies in White (*Damas de Blanco*)

Ms. Sara Martha Fonseca Quevedo
Member
Ladies in White (*Damas de Blanco*)

Mr. Geoff Thale
Program Director
Washington Office on Latin America

***** LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE *****

Asterisked () Bills Introduced by a Committee Member*

***H.R.624** – “To impose sanctions with respect to foreign persons responsible for gross violations of internationally recognized human rights, and for other purposes.” Sponsored by Rep. Christopher H. Smith

H.R.634 – “To allow travel between the United States and Cuba.” Sponsored by Rep. Charles B. Rangel

H.R.635 – “To facilitate the export of United States agricultural products to Cuba as authorized by the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2000, to remove impediments to the export to Cuba of medical devices and medicines, to allow travel to Cuba by United States legal residents, to establish an agricultural export promotion program with respect to Cuba, and for other purposes.” Sponsored by Rep. Charles B. Rangel

H.R.654 – “To prohibit the modification, termination, abandonment, or transfer of the lease by which the United States acquired the land and waters containing Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.” Sponsored by Rep. David W. Jolly

H.R.664 – “To allow travel between the United States and Cuba.” Sponsored by Rep. Mark Sanford

H.R.666 – “To adapt to changing crude oil market conditions.” Sponsored by Rep. Joe Barton

H.R.702 – “To adapt to changing crude oil market conditions.” Sponsored by Rep. Joe Barton

H.R.735 – “To lift the trade embargo on Cuba, and for other purposes.” Sponsored by Rep. Jose E. Serrano

H.R.738 – “To waive certain prohibitions with respect to nationals of Cuba coming to the United States to play organized professional baseball.” Sponsored by Rep. Jose E. Serrano

H.RES.89 – “Supporting "United States Foreign Service Day" in recognition of the men and women who have served, or are presently serving, in the Foreign Service of the United States, and to honor those in the Foreign Service who have given their lives in the line of duty.” Sponsored by Rep. Juan Vargas

H.RES.90 – “Recognizing the importance of the United States International Boundary Water Commission (USIBWC) and its recent efforts to address trash, sediment, and water quality issues with their Mexican counterparts, Comision Internacional de Limites y Aguas (CILA), through a proposed minute.” Sponsored by Rep. Juan Vargas

H.J.RES.27 – “To authorize the use of United States Armed Forces against the terrorist organization Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant ("ISIL").” Sponsored by Rep. Adam B. Schiff

***** EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS *****

EC – Executive Communication; PM – Presidential Message; PT – Petition; ML – Memorial

PM #6 — Continuation Of The National Emergency With Respect To The Situation In Or In Relation To Cote d’Ivoire (H.Doc. 114-6). February 7, 2015. Notification that the National Emergency declared in Executive Order 13396 of February 7, 2006, concerning the situation in Cote d’Ivoire is to continue in effect beyond February 7, 2015, pursuant to 50 U.S.C. 1622(d).

EC #332 — A notification about a Commission survey regarding cyber threats to the U.S. critical infrastructure. February 4, 2015. U.S. – China Economic and Security Review Commission. transmitting communication.

EC #314 — The Agency’s reports containing the September 30, 2014, status of loans and guarantees issued under Section 25 (a) (11) of the Arms Export Control Act. February 4, 2015. Defense Security Cooperation Agency transmitting communication.

EC #315 — A report entitled “Russian Sanctions: Licensing Policy for the Crimea Region of Ukraine”, pursuant to the Export Administration Act, Sec. 6 (f) (2), under the authority conferred by Executive Order 13222, as amended and extended. February 4, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting communication.

EC #316 — A report concerning international agreements other than treaties, entered into by the United States, to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b. February 4, 2015. Department of State transmitting communication.

EC #257 — The Department’s final rule – Russian Sanctions: Licensing Policy for the Crimea Region of Ukraine [Docket No.: 141218999-4999-01] (RIN: 0694-AG43) received January 15, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). January 30, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting communication.

EC #285 — The Department's final rule – Direct Investment Survey: BE-10, Benchmark Survey of U.S. Direct Investment Abroad [Docket No.: 1206013202-4700-07] (RIN:0691AA83) received January 22, 2015, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801 (a)(1)(A). February 2, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting communication.

EC #286 — As required by Section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641 (C), and Section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Libya that was declared in Executive Order 13566 of February 25, 2011. February 2, 2015. Department of Treasury transmitting communication.

EC #287 — As required by Section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641 (C), and Section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to the former Liberian regime of Charles Taylor that was declared in Executive Order 13348 of July 22, 2004. February 2, 2015. Department of Treasury transmitting communication.

EC #288 — As required by Section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641 (C), and Section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to transnational criminal organization that was declared in Executive Order 13581 of July 24, 2011. February 2, 2015. Department of Treasury transmitting communication.

***** REPORTING REQUIREMENTS *****

RECEIVED AFTER CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON 1/30

Report on the Authority for Non-Reciprocal International Defense Personnel Exchange Agreements for FY 2014. January 21, 2015. Department of Defense transmitting report pursuant to Section 1207(e) of the NDAA.

Final Rule to Update the Unverified List. January 23, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting report pursuant to Section 15(c) of the Export Administration Act.

Final Rule to Impose Additional Sanctions that Implement U.S. Policy Toward Russia. January 23, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting report pursuant to Section 15(c) of the Export Administration Act.

SBU: Somalia January 30, 2015. Department of State Transmitting report

Congressional Certification for U.S. Embassy Madrid, Spain. January 30, 2015. Department of State transmitting report pursuant to Section 160(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act.

Waiver Determinations for Iran. January 30, 2015. Department of State transmitting report pursuant to the Iran Freedom and Counter-Proliferation Act of 2012 (IFCA) Section 1244(c)(1), 1246(a)(1), and 1247(a).

Congressional Certification for the United States Embassy, Tel Aviv, Israel. February 2, 2015. Department of State transmitting report pursuant to Section 160(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act.

Congressional Certification for the United States Embassy, London, United Kingdom. February 2, 2015. Department of State transmitting report pursuant to Section 160(a) of the Foreign Relations Authorization Act.

Activities and Findings of the Interdiction Committee. February 2, 2015. Department of Defense transmitting report pursuant to Section (a) ONDCP Reauthorization Act of 2006, PL 109-469 Section 711.

SEC Annual-Quarterly Report. February 3, 2014. Securities and Exchange Commission transmitting report pursuant to Section 13(r) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended by Section 219 of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012.

Upward Obligation Adjustment using FY2012 Afghanistan Infrastructure Fund (AIF) Funds. February 3, 2015. Department of State transmitting report pursuant to Section 1217 of the Ike Skelton National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2011.

SBU: Chemical Weapons February 4, 2015. Department of State transmitting report.

***** GAO REPORTS *****

GAO-15-196: ENTERPRISE FUNDS: Egypt and Tunisia Funds Are Established; Additional Steps Would Strengthen Compliance with USAID Grant Agreements and Other Requirements. February 2, 2015

***** CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS *****

International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement (INLCE), Economic Support Funds (ESF), Peacekeeping Operations (PKO), Economic Support Funds- Overseas Contingency Operations (ESF-OCO), Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO), Africa Regional Economic Support Funds (ESF), Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs (NADR), Foreign Military Financing (FMF), Countering Terrorism (CT), Antiterrorism Assistance (ATA), Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism (PREACT), Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership (TSCTP), Democracy Fund (DF) Pakistan Counterinsurgency Capability Funding (PCCF) International Military Education and Training (IMET), Development Credit Authority (DCA)

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CN #15-21 — \$11,800,000 FY 2014 ESF funds obligated to be used to support Energy Governance and Capacity Initiative, Unconventional Gas Technical Engagement Program, and Power Sector Program. January 30, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

Certification of an amendment to a manufacturing license agreement for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services in the amount of \$100,000,000 or more to Brunei, Colombia, Mexico, Poland, Saudi Arabia, and Turkey. February 4, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

CN #15-22 — \$1,500,000 FY 2015 NADR/ATA funds obligated to be used to support the Countering Violent Extremism Local Grants and Program Support. February 3, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

CN #15-23 — \$1,514,000 FY 2015 INCLE funds obligated to be used to support international narcotics and law enforcement programs, projects and activities for Somalia. February 4, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

CN #15-23 — FY 2015 operating plan for the Emergency Response and preparedness funding appropriated to the Diplomatic and Consular Programs account. February 6, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

CN #58 — \$1,300,000 DF FY 2014 carryover funds obligated to support the efforts of the Federal Government of Somalia in meeting critical electoral benchmarks. February 5, 2015. Agency for International Development transmitting notification.

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FEBRUARY 9 – FEBRUARY 13, 2015

*** MEETINGS, HEARINGS AND MARKUPS ***

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2015

2:00 P.M. **Hearing: “State Sponsor of Terror: The Global Threat of Iran”**
Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade, Chairman Ted
Poe

WITNESSES:

Frederick W. Kagan, Ph.D.
Christopher DeMuth Chair and Director
Critical Threats Project
American Enterprise Institute

Mr. Ilan I. Berman
Vice President
American Foreign Policy Council

Mr. Tony Badran
Research Fellow
Foundation for Defense of Democracies

Daniel L. Byman, Ph.D.
Professor
Security Studies Program
Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service
Georgetown University

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2015

10:00 A.M. **Hearing: “The Growing Strategic Threat of ISIS”**
Full Committee, Chairman Edward R. Royce

WITNESSES:

The Honorable James F. Jeffrey
Philip Solondz Distinguished Visiting Fellow
The Washington Institute for Near East Policy

Dafna H. Rand, Ph.D.

Leon E. Panetta Fellow and Deputy Director of Studies
Center for a New American Security

Rick Brennan, Jr, Ph.D.
Senior Political Scientist
RAND Corporation

1:00 P.M. **Hearing: “Azerbaijan: U.S. Energy, Security, and Human Rights Interests”**

Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, Chairman
Dana Rohrabacher

WITNESSES:

Audrey Altstadt, Ph.D.
Fellow
Kennan Institute
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

The Honorable Richard Kauzlarich
Adjunct Professor
School of Public Policy
George Mason University
(Former American Ambassador to Azerbaijan)

Svante Cornell, Ph.D.
Director
Central Asia-Caucasus Institute
School of Advanced International Studies
Johns Hopkins University

1:30 P.M. **Joint Hearing: “The Syrian Humanitarian Crisis: Four Years Later and No End in Sight”**

Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, Chairman Ileana
Ros-Lehtinen and the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global
Human Rights, and International Organizations, Chairman Christopher
H. Smith

WITNESSES:

Ms. Kelly Tallman Clements
Deputy Assistant Secretary
Bureau of Population, Refugees, and Migration
U.S. Department of State

Mr. Thomas Staal
Acting Assistant Administrator
Bureau for Democracy, Conflict and Humanitarian Assistance
U.S. Agency for International Development

***** LEGISLATION REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE ******Asterisked (*) Bills Introduced by a Committee Member***FEBRUARY 10, 2015**

H.R.825 – “To promote trade and commercial enhancement between the United States and Israel, and for other purposes.” Sponsored by Rep. Peter J. Roskam

H.J.RES.30 – “To require a strategy and report to counter the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant, and for other purposes.” Sponsored by Rep. Barbara Lee

***** EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS ******EC – Executive Communication; PM – Presidential Message; PT – Petition; ML – Memorial***RECEIVED AFTER CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON 2/6**

EC #343 — The twenty-sixth quarterly report to Congress on Afghanistan Reconstruction, pursuant to P.L. 110-181, Sec. 1229. February 5, 2015. Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction transmitting communication.

EC #360 — Consistent with the resolution of advice and consent to ratification of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling, and Use of Chemical Weapons and on Their Destruction, adopted by the Senate of the United States on April 24, 1997, and Executive Order 13346 of July 8, 2004, a certification for calendar year 2014. February 9, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting communication.

EC #361 — A report concerning international agreements other than treaties, entered into by the United States, to be transmitted to the Congress within the sixty-day period specified in the Case-Zablocki Act, pursuant to 1 U.S.C. 112b. February 9, 2015. Department of State transmitting communication.

EC #362 — As required by Section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act, 50 U.S.C. 1641 (c), and section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), a six-month periodic report on the national emergency with respect to Lebanon that was declared in executive order 13441 of August 1, 2007. February 9, 2015. Department of Treasury transmitting communication.

***** REPORTING REQUIREMENTS *******RECEIVED AFTER CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON 2/6**

Export of Agricultural Commodities to Cuba. January 30, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting report pursuant to Section 906(b) of the Trade Sanctions Reform and Export Enhancement Act of 2002(TSRA)(Title IX of P.L. 106-387).

Report on the Transition of the Stewardship of the Internet Assigned Numbers Authority (IANA) Functions. January 30, 2015. Department of Commerce transmitting report pursuant to the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriation Act, 2015, P.L. 113-235.

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Congressional Certification for the United States Embassy, Jakarta, Indonesia. February 6, 2015. Department of State transmitting report pursuant to Section 160(a) of the Foreign relations Authorization Act, FY 1988 and 1989 (P.L. 100-204).

SEC Annual-Quarterly Report. February 9, 2014. Securities and Exchange Commission transmitting report pursuant to Section 13(r) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended by Section 219 of the Iran Threat Reduction and Syria Human Rights Act of 2012.

Charter of the Shipping Coordinating Committee. February 9, 2015. Department of State transmitting report in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (P.L. 92-463).

MCC's Intent to Obligate 609(g) Funding to Facilitate Development of our Compact with the Government of Morocco. February 11, 2015. Millennium Challenge Corporation transmitting report.

***** GAO REPORTS *****

***** CONGRESSIONAL NOTIFICATIONS *****

International Narcotics Control and Law Enforcement (INLCE), Economic Support Funds (ESF), Peacekeeping Operations (PKO), Economic Support Funds- Overseas Contingency Operations (ESF-OCO), Overseas Contingency Operations (OCO), Africa Regional Economic Support Funds (ESF), Nonproliferation, Antiterrorism, Demining and Related Programs (NADR), Foreign Military Financing (FMF), Countering Terrorism (CT), Antiterrorism Assistance (ATA), Partnership for Regional East Africa Counterterrorism (PRACT), Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership (TSCTP), Democracy Fund (DF) Pakistan Counterinsurgency Capability Funding (PCCF) International Military Education and Training (IMET), Development Credit Authority (DCA)

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Certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the United Arab Emirates in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more. February 6, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

Certification of a proposed license for the export of defense articles, including technical data, and defense services to the Afghanistan in the amount of \$50,000,000 or more. February 6, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

Transmittal No. 14-55: Concerning the Air Force's proposed Letter(s) of Offer and Acceptance to The Netherlands for the defense articles and services estimated to cost \$339 million. February 6, 2015. Department of Defense transmitting notification.

ECA Grant Notification: \$800,000 to IREX (International Research & Exchange Board) for the Mandela Washington Fellowship for Young African Leaders. February 10, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

ECA Grant Notification: \$893,133 to the American Council of Young Political Leaders for the American Council of Young Political Leaders grant competition. February 10, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

ECA Grant Notification: \$400,285 to the Sisters Cities International for the Sisters Cities International grant competition. February 10, 2015. Department of State transmitting notification.

CN #59 — \$1,000,000 DA FY 2014 Carryover funds are being transferred through an inter-agency transfer from USAID/Tanzania to USAID/West Africa Regional for political competition and consensus-building programs. February 10, 2015. Agency for International Development transmitting notification.

CN #60 — \$4,307,150 DA FY 2014 Bureau for Food Security (BFS) funds obligated to DA funds in the area of Economic Growth. Additional notification is required because of special notification requirements related to specific country programming in Burma, Cambodia, Ethiopia, Guatemala, and Haiti. February 10, 2015. Agency for International Development transmitting notification.