



Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

February 12, 2014

President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

As Members of Congress—and as Americans—we are united in our unequivocal commitment to prevent Iran from obtaining a nuclear weapon. The proliferation of nuclear weapons in the Middle East would threaten the security of the United States and our allies in the region, particularly Israel.

The ongoing implementation of the *Joint Plan of Action* agreed to by Iran and the “P5+1” nations last November increases the possibility of a comprehensive and verifiable international agreement. We understand that there is no assurance of success and that, if talks break down or Iran reneges on pledges it made in the interim agreement, Congress may be compelled to act as it has in the past by enacting additional sanctions legislation. At present, however, we believe that Congress must give diplomacy a chance. A bill or resolution that risks fracturing our international coalition or, worse yet, undermining our credibility in future negotiations and jeopardizing hard-won progress toward a verifiable final agreement, must be avoided.

We remain wary of the Iranian regime. But we believe that robust diplomacy remains our best possible strategic option, and we commend you and your designees for the developments in Geneva. Should negotiations fail or falter, nothing precludes a change in strategy. But we must not imperil the possibility of a diplomatic success before we even have a chance to pursue it.

Sincerely,

David Price

Stacy Doggett

Jan Schakowsky

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1 Bass	43 Jackson-Lee	86 Sablan
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6 Brown	48 Keating	91 Speier
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17 Cohen	59 Massie (R)	102 Waters
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34 Farr	76 Pingree	
35 Foster	77 Pocan	
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37 Garamendi	79 Price, David	
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39 Gutierrez	81 Rangel	
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41 Holt	83 Ruppertsberger	
42 Huffman	84 Rush	
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