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The Honorable Joseph R. Biden President of the United States of America The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington D.C., 20500

Dear President Biden,

I am writing to convey my grave concern over the alarming reports that Iran is actively attempting to influence the upcoming U.S. elections and threaten the safety of U.S. citizens on American soil.

The FBI and U.S. Intelligence Community have unequivocally demonstrated that Iran is engaged in a systematic campaign to compromise the integrity of our democratic process. Your National Security Communications Advisor, John Kirby, has already acknowledged the seriousness of this threat, stating, "Iranian cyber actors have been seeking to influence elections around the world, including those happening in the United States." Moreover, within the past few months, multiple individuals linked to the Iranian government have been implicated in plots to carry out political assassinations on former President Trump and members of his administration on American soil.

Despite the severity of these threats, the response from your administration has been dangerously insufficient. The failure to decisively confront Iran not only undermines the security of our electoral system but also emboldens other hostile actors who might seek to exploit this weakness. Allowing Iran to persist in its misinformation and aggression not only empowers a rogue regime but also places American lives at unacceptable risk.

I urge you to take immediate and forceful action to counter this threat. Your administration must develop a comprehensive strategy to safeguard our elections and protect our citizens. The security of our nation and the integrity of our democracy depends on a strong and proactive response.

Thank you for your attention to this critical matter.

Sincerely,

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