## United States Senate WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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The Honorable Loretta Lynch Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

The Honorable Jeh Johnson Secretary U.S. Department of Homeland Security Washington, D.C. 20528

The Honorable John Kerry Secretary U.S. Department of State Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Attorney General Lynch, Secretary Johnson, and Secretary Kerry:

On August 12 and December 3, we sent letters requesting that you provide basic information regarding the immigration histories of 72 individuals in the United States who have been identified as having an affiliation with Islamic terrorism. It has now been approximately five months since we sent our first letter, and we still do not have the requested information – despite the occurrence of a terrorist attack in San Bernardino carried out by a Muslim migrant and the child of Muslim migrants.

We have now identified an additional 41 individuals, bringing the total to 113 individuals who have been implicated in Islamic terrorism in some manner since early 2014. Of these 113 individuals, at least 14 were initially admitted to the United States as refugees. Many more came through other immigration programs. A number of immigrant terrorists were even approved for citizenship. Others are the U.S.-born children of foreign migrants whose presence in the country would not be possible but for the immigration of their parents.

The resources spent every year investigating the countless number of immigrant terrorist suspects in the United States are astronomical. And yet, as this costly and dangerous status quo continues, the U.S. continues to admit approximately 680,000 migrants from Muslim countries every five years.

The American people are entitled to information on the immigration history of terrorists seeking to harm them.

Therefore, please complete the attached chart – which has been updated since August – in addition to responding to our previous letters. Additionally, for any similar cases that arise between the date of this letter and the date of your reply, please include the pertinent information for those cases in the attached chart, and please provide a complete, unredacted copy of the Alien File for any non-citizen or naturalized citizen.

We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. Please contact our staffs if you have any questions regarding this request.

Very truly yours,

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