

League of United Latin American Citizens

LULAC Resolution on Iran Negotiations

WHEREAS, 86 years ago, the founders of the League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC) joined together to establish an organization that would become the largest, oldest, and most successful civil rights and service organization in the United States, and

WHEREAS, The Safety and Security of the USA has been secured by Americans who have shed their blood in the battlefields involving our country, and many of these were Latinos who served their country patriotically, and

WHEREAS, Iran through its Revolutionary Guard's Quds force and a variety of terror organizations and militia groups, seek to spread its anti-western influence throughout the Middle East, attacking American interests, destabilizing American allies and fostering terrorism globally, and

WHEREAS, terrorists affiliated with or funded by Iran have attempted terrorist attacks in Uruguay, Peru, Nigeria, Thailand, not to mention Iraq and other Middle Eastern countries making Iran the largest state sponsor of terrorism, and

WHEREAS, Iran for decades ran a secret and illicit program to develop nuclear weapons and technology that threatens American Allies in the Middle East and Europe, creates the potential for a nuclear arms race in one of the world's most unstable regions, and advances the possibility that terrorists and radical groups would have access to nuclear materials with devastating potential that could threaten America and American Allies, and

WHEREAS, the United States has, as a matter of policy declared that Iran should not have a nuclear weapon and has been engaged in negotiations with Iran to find a diplomatic agreement that would cut off Iran's ability to develop nuclear weapons, and

WHEREAS, Congress has repeatedly stated on a bipartisan basis that any agreement in order to be effective must include the following elements:

- (1) unimpeded inspections of nuclear facilities and suspected nuclear sites, including military facilities,
- (2) full understanding of Iran's past nuclear weapons research and development,
- (3) dismantlement of Iran's nuclear infrastructure,
- (4) phased relief of sanctions based on Iranian compliance with its nuclear obligations, and
- (5) an agreement that lasts for decades to ensure that Iran does not become a nuclear threshold state.

LET IT RESOLVED THAT, that LULAC:

- (1) Applauds President Obama and its administration for using all tools available to reach a diplomatic solution to Iran's quest for nuclear weapons,
- (2) Supports efforts to prevent Iran from becoming a "Nuclear Threshold State" or otherwise have a pathway to develop a nuclear weapon.

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