



June 15, 2011

The Honorable John A. Boehner
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On behalf of the Administration, enclosed please find a report and documents regarding U.S. activities in Libya.

The report, "United States Activities in Libya," describes U.S. actions in Libya to date. Taken in response to direct appeals from the Libyan people, and acting with a mandate from the United Nations, the United States mobilized a broad coalition, stopped an advancing army, prevented a massacre, established a no-fly zone, and limited the spread of violence and instability in a region pivotal to U.S. security interests. Today, the United States supports NATO military operations pursuant to UNSCR 1973 to protect Libyan civilians, and is working with the Transitional National Council and others to secure an inclusive, democratic transition.

The enclosed report consists of unclassified and classified sections:

- The unclassified section describes U.S. efforts in Libya; our political and military objectives; an assessment of the current situation; U.S. participation in the NATO operation (and consequences if the U.S. were to cease participation); current and projected military, humanitarian, and related costs; an analysis of whether U.S. operations in Libya are impacting U.S. efforts in Iraq and Afghanistan; our current assessment of the Interim Transitional National Council (TNC) and U.S. contacts with the TNC to date; legal analysis; and a listing of congressional hearings, briefings, and other consultations to date.
- The classified annex contains information relating to U.S. military operations; opposition military groups; coalition contributions to the NATO mission; extremist groups in Libya; and the MANPAD threat.

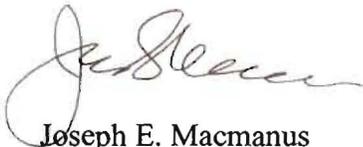
In addition to the report, please also find CDs containing electronic copies of documents from departments and agencies that provide further background and context on our efforts in Libya, including United States' support for Operations Odyssey Dawn and Unified Protector. These materials include briefing slides, fact sheets, and other material on the operations

previously provided to relevant committees of jurisdiction; copies of the 32 update reports sent to 1,600 congressional staffers over the past several months; cost projections; relevant correspondence; transcripts; official notifications sent to the Senate and House; and other material.

In order to safeguard classified materials appropriately (both the report annex and supporting documents) – and consistent with both Executive and Congressional classified information handling requirements – such information and documents are being transmitted under separate cover. Individual Members and appropriately cleared staff can access such materials through arrangements made with their respective Leaders and as appropriate and consistent with the protection of intelligence sources and methods and applicable classified information handling requirements.

On behalf of the Administration, we remain committed to continuing to work with Congress on this important matter.

Sincerely,



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