October 28, 2016

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

Dear Attorney General Lynch:

We received your reply to our October 7 letter regarding your role and your department’s actions in facilitating billions of dollars in payments to Iran. It is frankly unacceptable that your department refuses to answer straightforward questions from the people’s elected representatives in Congress about an important national security issue. Your staff failed to address any of our questions, and instead provided a copy of public testimony and a lecture about the sensitivity of information associated with this issue.

As the United States’ chief law enforcement officer, it is outrageous that you would essentially plead the fifth and refuse to respond to inquiries regarding your role in providing cash to the world’s foremost state sponsor of terrorism. The actions of your department come at a time when Iran continues to hold Americans hostage and unjustly sentence them to prison.

We are re-attaching our original letter, and respectfully insist that you answer our 13 questions in an honest and thorough way. We are seeking clarity on conflicting information from the administration’s private and public comments on this issue, requesting documents, and requesting information regarding American victims of Iranian terrorism. As elected representatives of the American people, we take our professional responsibilities seriously and hope you will do so as well.

You owe Congress and the American people answers to these questions. We look forward to receiving a serious response no later than November 4.

Sincerely,

[Signatures]

Mike Pompeo  
Member of Congress  

Marco Rubio  
U.S. Senator