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Washington, DC 20515

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President Dennis Muilenburg
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Dear Mr. Muilenburg and Mr. Brégier,

We write to express our serious concerns over the sale of airplanes, parts, and other aircraft-related services to the Islamic Republic of Iran. With Airbus already conducting business in Iran and Boeing working with the Administration to begin its own sales, an extremely dangerous precedent is being set for Western companies. We ask both of your companies to consider the profound moral implications of engaging a nation that has proven time and time again that it cannot be trusted.

Despite widespread opposition from Republicans and Democrats in Congress, the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) was implemented earlier this year, removing a majority of economic sanctions on Iran as long as they “promised” to get rid of their nuclear weapons programs. Despite these promises, recent news reports indicate that Iran continues to test medium-range ballistic missiles that are capable of reaching much of the Middle East, including U.S. military bases and Israel. These most recent acts of aggression are yet another sign that Iran has no intention of moderating its behavior as a result of the nuclear deal.

We appreciate your efforts to provide opportunities and good-paying jobs to workers in Washington State and across the nation. At the same time, we took an oath to protect and defend the United States of America. Ensuring the safety of our constituents and the American people is our first and most important job, and we will do everything in our power to fulfill that duty. It is our hope that when your respective companies further consider doing business with Iran, you act cautiously and do not put business decisions ahead of the safety of our nation and our friends abroad.

In light of all this, we would respectfully request a meeting with you or one of your representatives to further discuss our concerns.

Thank you for your consideration, and we look forward to speaking with you regarding this issue of critical national security.

Sincerely,


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