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President Donald J. Trump
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

I write to you today to express my strong concern with the Iranian regime and its increasing aggression, specifically regarding its illicit use of ballistic missiles. Iran has repeatedly endangered our allies throughout the Middle East and Europe, and I support your approach in dealing with Iran.

As a result of Iran's continued provocations, it is my recommendation that you immediately consider permanently placing a ballistic missile defense system in Kuwait. I was recently made aware, by a highly regarded Senior Fellow at the Los Alamos National Laboratory, that planning for this contingency currently exists. And taking this approach would serve as both a deterrent to Iran and protection for our critical allies in the region.

This strategy complements the letter that my Congressional colleagues and I sent to you this week, which urged you to rebuild America's missile defense system as you consider your forthcoming budget. And I respectfully request the opportunity to further discuss this solution with you, Secretary Mattis and National Security Adviser Flynn at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention and leadership on this important matter. I look forward to discussing this matter further.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Duncan Hunter". The signature is stylized and fluid, with a large loop at the beginning and a long, sweeping tail.

Duncan Hunter
Member of Congress