



## **PRESIDENT DONALD J. TRUMP'S ANNOUNCEMENT ON IRAN**

- Last October, President Trump outlined a strategy to counter the Iranian regime's reckless aggression.
- This strategy addresses the full range of Iranian threats, of which Iran's nuclear program is only one element.
- The President made clear his view that the JCPOA gave too much to Iran for too little, and far too much of those benefits were paid up front.
- Accordingly, the President directed his administration to work with Congress to amend INARA and to work with our allies to address the nuclear deal's flaws.
- The President pledged that if we were unable to secure an agreement with our allies, then he would terminate U.S. participation in the nuclear deal.
- President Trump's announcement today makes good on his commitments from October.
- The President reiterated that an amended INARA must include four elements:
  - Require Iran to allow immediate inspections at all sites requested by the IAEA.
  - Ensure Iran does not come close to possessing a nuclear weapon.
  - Fix the "sunset" flaw by allowing the U.S. to snap back U.S. nuclear sanctions without an expiration date if Iran does not comply.
  - Finally, the legislation must explicitly state in United States law—for the first time—that we view Iran's long-range missile programs and nuclear weapons as inseparable, and that Iran's development and testing of missiles should be subject to severe sanctions.
- The President also announced his desire to continue working with key European allies to address the JCPOA's flaws.
- Today, the President is waiving the application of nuclear-related sanctions, but only in order to allow time to secure an agreement with our European allies.
- This is a last chance. If other nations fail to act during this time, the United States will withdraw from the Iran nuclear deal.
- Today, the President is also issuing a series of sanctions designations to signal our continued resolve to hold Iran accountable for human rights violations, proliferation, and its continued development of threatening weapons.