

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

July 16, 2026

The Honorable Todd Blanche
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Acting Attorney General Todd Blanche,

We write with concern about the recent actions of Mayor Zohran Mamdani's Administration. Last week, media outlets began to report Commissioner Ana María Archila, the head of the New York City Mayor's Office for International Affairs, had scheduled a July 7 meeting with the Islamic Republic of Iran's ambassador to the United Nations, Amir-Saeid Iravani.

As you know, negotiations with Iran are in a critical stage. Given its timing, we believe this proposed meeting may have presented significant national security risks. In light of this, we respectfully ask that the Department of Justice investigate potential violations of the Logan Act (18 U.S. Code § 953) on the part of the mayor's office.

The Logan Act prohibits any unauthorized American citizen from negotiating with foreign governments on behalf of the United States. Mayor Mamdani's and Commissioner Archila's actions create a clear conflict of interest with the United States' strategic military actions in Iran and across the Middle East, warranting further examination by the Department.

We support President Trump's effort to shore up American economic and national security interests in the Middle East, and we understand the vulnerable nature of continued peace negotiations. For that reason, we believe that a formal investigation is necessary to determine whether Commissioner Archila, acting on behalf of Mayor Mamdani, engaged in any unlawful activity or communication with the Islamic Republic of Iran. We look forward to working with you to continue preserving the safety and security of the United States.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



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Member of Congress



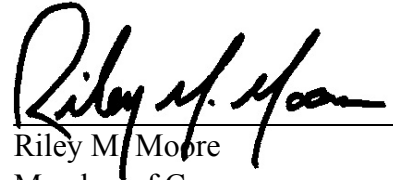
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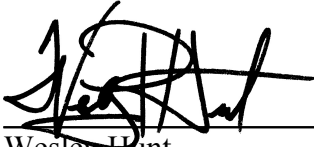
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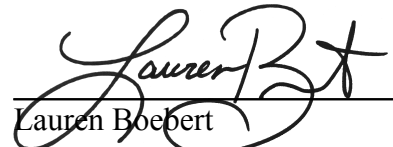
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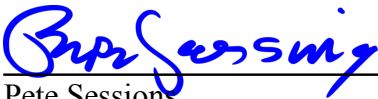
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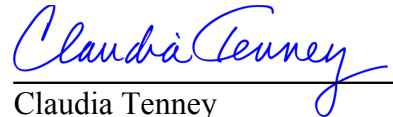
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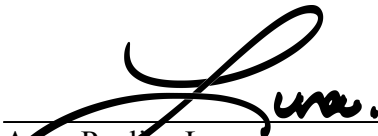
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