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AIPAC SUPPORTS INCREASED U.S. & E.U. SANCTIONS ON IRAN

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Today's announcement by the European Union unveiling increased trade penalties on Iran and the Administration's move to impose new U.S. sanctions on Tehran underscores the Islamic Republic's increasing isolation as they flagrantly ignore six UN Security Council Resolutions demanding an immediate halt to their illicit nuclear program.

As Treasury Secretary Geithner said at the White House, "the United States is taking our first steps" to dramatically tighten Iran's economic isolation and "in the coming weeks, we will continue to increase the financial pressure on Iran."

We commend this first step and agree more must be done. AIPAC continues to urge the Administration and our allies in Europe, Asia and across the globe to immediately implement further crippling economic, political and diplomatic sanctions on Iran before it is too late.

In the coming weeks, Congress is set to pass the most sweeping package of Iran sanctions ever proposed. AIPAC calls on the House and Senate to complete their work on Iran sanctions legislation as rapidly as possible and urges President Obama to sign and implement that legislation immediately upon its arrival on his desk.

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