

AIPAC APPLAUDS SIGNING OF LANDMARK IRAN SANCTIONS LEGISLATION

URGES PRESIDENT OBAMA TO IMPLEMENT NEW LAW FULLY AND IMMEDIATELY

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AIPAC applauds President Obama's signing of the Comprehensive Iran Sanctions, Accountability and Divestment Act (**CISADA**) into law this week—the toughest sanctions ever imposed on the Islamic Republic.

Last week, in overwhelming votes, the Senate (99-0) and the House (408-8-1) passed the legislation, which will limit Iran's ability to import refined petroleum and impede its participation in the international banking system.

AIPAC calls on President Obama and his administration to implement these biting new sanctions against the Iranian regime immediately.

If implemented, these sanctions will dramatically raise the price Iran pays for continuing its illicit nuclear activities. [Click here](#) to learn more about CISADA and the need for its swift implementation.

Iran is the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism, and it continues its efforts to export its revolution. The Islamic Republic's acquisition of a nuclear weapons capability would pose a grave and direct threat to the national security of the United States and our allies in the Middle East, Europe and Asia. A nuclear Iran would also destroy the fabric of the nuclear non-proliferation regime and deeply undermine global stability.

Since the 2002 exposure of Iran's nuclear program – following 18 years of lying about its efforts to the International Atomic Energy Agency – Iran has continued to conceal its military nuclear infrastructure and weapons-related programs. Iran has built thousands of advanced nuclear centrifuges, installed larger and more sophisticated enrichment cascades and covert nuclear facilities, converted tons of uranium ore into uranium hexafluoride (the gas needed to enrich uranium), and enriched enough material to make two nuclear weapons.

Overall, this **unprecedented sanctions law** is designed to support the international community's effort to prevent Iran from acquiring a nuclear weapons capability. The United States and all other nations must act now to impose the kind of sanctions defined in **CISADA** and the recently passed **U.N. Security Council Resolution**, in order to persuade Tehran to end its illicit nuclear work.

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