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Dear Dr. Hewett:

SUBJECT: RESUMPTION OF PARTIAL ACTIVITIES – DEPARTMENT OF STATE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE FUNDED WORK

As the United States Department of Energy Brookhaven Site Office (DOE-BHSO) contracting officer, I hereby notify Brookhaven Science Associates that per Electronic notification dated February 27, 2025, from the U.S. Department of State, all BNL-ISPO staff can resume normal operations immediately pursuant to the most current DOE-DOS Interagency Agreement. In lifting the stop work for the activities of the day-to-day activities of the BNL ISPO staff, the DOS has noted that they have limited approval on related activities including subcontracted effort. At this time, only the below three subcontract activities are approved for ISPO and relevant entities to resume work immediately, including both management oversight and liaison functions in Vienna.

The three approved activities for ISPO include the following:

1. (SBU) ISN/MNSA requests an exception to expend up to \$200,000 of previously obligated funds to enable the IAEA to service, maintain, and perform needed upgrades to equipment installed at Iran's uranium enrichment plants to verify that Iran is not enriching to weapons-grade levels. Failure to implement these upgrades risks jeopardizing the IAEA's ability to detect enrichment to very high levels in a timely manner.
2. (SBU) ISN/MNSA requests an exception to expend up to \$450,000 in previously obligated funds to maintain quality control programs at the IAEA Environmental Sample Analysis Laboratory and to deliver new, advanced analytical equipment and capabilities to the IAEA Nuclear Material Laboratory. Well-functioning quality control protocols are essential to prevent nuclear sample mishandling and contamination, which could undermine confidence in the information that the IAEA reports to the international community. To the extent doubt can be cast on quality control, the credibility of the analytical results from samples from Iran could be called into question by our adversaries.
3. (SBU) ISN/MNSA requests an exception to expend up to \$250,000 in previously obligated funds to deliver non-destructive assay and inspection training courses

for IAEA inspectors. U.S. National Laboratories have trained every new IAEA inspector for decades, ensuring that they have the specialized knowledge, skills, and experience needed to perform their jobs at a high level. The inspectors ensure that nuclear materials are not diverted to illicit uses and that nuclear facilities are not misused to support weapon programs.

Please direct any questions pertaining to this notification to Robert Gordon at extension 3346.

Sincerely,

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