Mr. Chairman, first let me welcome myself back

to the committee. It is great to be back.

Seeing no hands in opposition, Ambassador, great

to see you again, my friend. Thank you for appearing before the

committee. I, too, look forward to hearing your testimony.

In light of the outreach that apparently is being made in terms

of creating a dialogue with Iran, I hope that there is not a sacrifice

that is made for helping on one hand and going light when it comes

to the issue of uranium enrichment in Iran.

I know you have your work cut out ahead of you, but I look forward

to working with you again very closely here on the committee

and welcome you here today.

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.