Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Ambassador, welcome.

Iran of course is the big elephant in the room. No question about

that. I guess my major concern is now that we are talking with

Iran I think that we need to put a little emphasis on these other

nations. Particularly I am concerned about Russia.

How is it, and I would be interested in knowing your response,

that Russia recently completed an agreement to sell $750 million

worth of antiaircraft weapons to Iran? The Dutch Royal Petroleum

Company has just signed on to explore and lend millions of dollars

of help to developing oil fields and helping with the refining capacity

of Iran.

These are very troublesome indicators, particularly it seems to

me the biggest economic sanction we could have with Iran and that

they produce about one-quarter of the earth’s known oil reserves

underneath them, but yet they don’t have that refining capacity

and have to import that gas in.

If we have individuals who are supposedly our allies working

with them and then China of course getting into an agreement——

Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

I would be looking for your comments on that as well.