Thank you, Madam Chair. Good morning, folks.

Ambassador, you can leave your microphone on. All right? And

I saw on the news today—I have two main concerns, the innocent

people in Syria, and our good friends, Israel. And I saw today the

President getting off the plane, and meeting the President and

Prime Minister. And it kind of reminded me of my daughter’s first

prom date, bringing him to the house to meet me. It was a little

tense situation there.

But be that as it may, what are the chances that Hezbollah will

remain a potent force in Syria? And, if that’s the case, will

Hezbollah’s role in Lebanon be affected?

What is the status of arms transfer to Hezbollah

today? Can you respond to that question?

Okay. And, historically, Iran, Syria, Hezbollah, and

Hamas compromised an access of resistance. Inimicable to the U.S.

interest in the Middle East, how will the ultimate fall of Assad affect

Iran, Hezbollah, and Hamas?

Ms. Richard, could you respond to—I see that

you’ve written many articles and opinion pieces, and one of the

areas is Combating Terrorism. What can we continue to do, or do

with more strength to address the issues of terrorism, the relationship

with Syria, and how do we curtail this presently, since Assad

is still in control?

I yield back my time. Thank you.