

Congress of the United States  
Washington, DC 20515

September 27, 2011

Mr. Antonio Brufau Niubó  
Chairman  
Repsol  
Paseo de la Castellana 278-280  
28046, Madrid, Spain

Dear Mr. Brufau:

We are writing to express our serious concern regarding Repsol's reported plans to partner with the Castro regime to initiate exploratory deepwater drilling in Cuban waters.

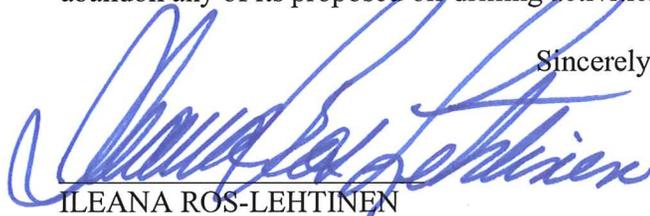
As you know, the Cuban regime has been designated by the United States as a State Sponsor of Terrorism since 1982. In the most recent Country Reports on Terrorism, the State Department confirms that the Cuban regime continues to provide physical safe haven, including living, logistical, medical and ideological support to members of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, the National Liberation Army of Colombia, and Spain's Basque Homeland and Freedom Organization – each of which are designated as Foreign Terrorist Organizations by the United States. The Cuban regime also continues to allow U.S. fugitives to live legally in Cuba, including individuals convicted by U.S. courts for the murder of American law enforcement officials.

It is common knowledge that any foreign investment in Cuba requires joint ownership and fiscal compensation for the Havana regime. Any drilling operations that Repsol conducts in Cuban waters will provide direct financial benefit to the Castro dictatorship. Furthermore, Repsol's partnership with the Cuban regime could violate U.S. law, and may run afoul of pending legislation in the U.S. Congress.

As to current law, Repsol may be in jeopardy of subjecting itself and its affiliates to criminal and civil liability in U.S. courts. Violations of the Trading with the Enemy Act, the Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act (LIBERTAD), the Alien Tort Claims Act and the Trade Sanctions Reform and Enforcement Act can lead to serious ramifications for individuals or businesses that deal with the Cuban regime. Additionally, there are only four U.S.-designated State Sponsors of Terrorism, and the laws that regulate commercial transactions with them, and the grave civil and criminal penalties that those laws impose, are comprehensive.

We urge Repsol to reassess the risks inherent in partnering with the Castro dictatorship, including the risk to its commercial interests with the United States. We respectfully ask that Repsol abandon any of its proposed oil-drilling activities in Cuban waters.

Sincerely,



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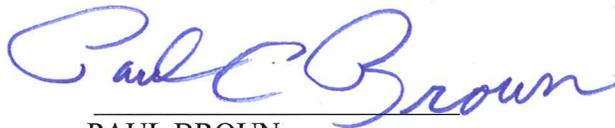
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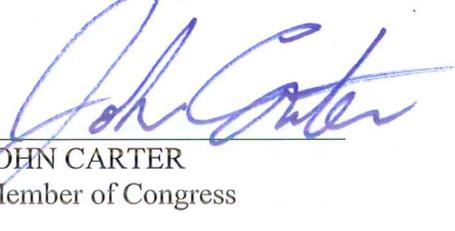
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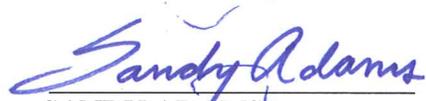
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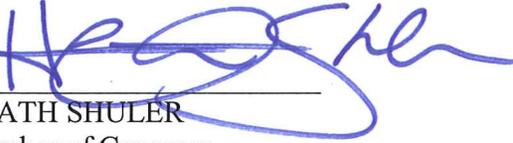
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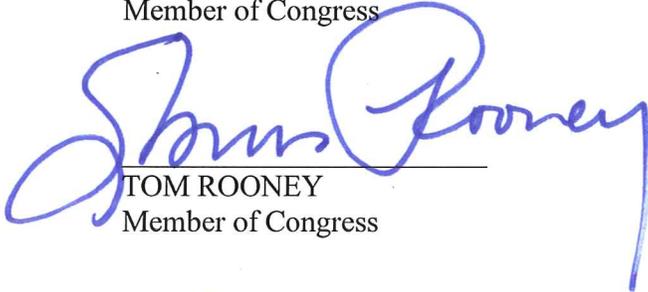
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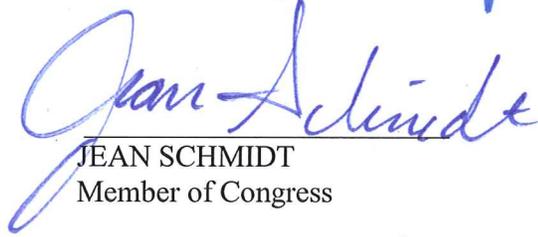
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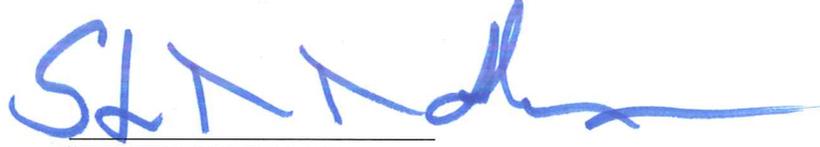
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