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Dear Mr. Petti:

This is the Office of Foreign Assets Control's final response to your December 14, 2020 Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C.§552, request to the Department of the Treasury (Treasury), seeking "Any foreign policy guidance issued by the U.S. State Department to the U.S. Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control regarding applications to work with Syrian oil filed between October 2017 and December 2020."

Treasury referred this matter to its Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) for processing on December 16, 2020.

Please be aware that OFAC is experiencing a substantial backlog of FOIA requests that has adversely affected its response time.

OFAC has completed its search for records responsive to your request and has located 4 pages of records. OFAC has referred the four pages of records to the Department of State for their review, determination of disclosure and direct response to you.

To determine any further action taken regarding your FOIA request, please contact the State Department at:

Office of Information Programs and Services U.S. Department of State A/GIS/IPS/RL SA-2, Suite 8100 515 22nd Street, NW Washington, D. C. 20522-8100

Email: <u>FOIAStatus@state.gov</u> Telephone: 202-261-8484 Mr. Petti Page 2

If you have any questions regarding this matter, you may contact us at our FOIA Requester Service Center via email at <u>OFACFOIAOffice@treasury.gov</u> or via telephone at (202) 622-2500, option 3. Please reference FOIA No. 2021-FOIA-00237 in any future communication regarding this request.

Sincerely,

Marshall H. Fields, Jr. Assistant Director Information Disclosure and Records Management Office of Sanctions Support and Operations Office of Foreign Assets Control