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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of the United States Congress

SUBJECT: **Iran Detains Members of the IAEA**

Urgent developments.

While inspecting Iran's nuclear facilities, the IAEA inspectors have been detained by members of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard (IRG). The IRG claims to have discovered evidence that members of the inspection team sent by the IAEA have planted technology to Iran's "peaceful development of nuclear power" that allows spy agencies to hack into Iran's nuclear systems.

Publicly, Iran has directed blame at the United States and Israel. The United States assessment is that this action is designed to disrupt the momentum of the Abraham Accords. United States intelligence sources indicate that Iran has a credible belief that the agent has ties to Saudi Arabia which Iran has yet to publicly announced. The Houthis have recently escalated its conflict with Saudi Arabia at Iran's request.

The United States is in contact with Israel and Saudi Arabia and is monitoring the situation.