IRAN - PROHIBITED EXPORT OF SERVICES - SURVEYS & INTERVIEWS

Dear

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This is with regard to your letter of June 28, 2002 to the Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") on behalf of [U.S. person]. In your letter you requested a specific license authorizing U.S. person to engage [text deleted], a U.S. subcontractor, to conduct surveys and in-depth interviews with persons in Iran.

Section 560.204 of the Iranian Transactions Regulations, 31 C.F.R. Part 560, prohibits, *inter alia*, the direct or indirect exportation of U.S.-origin goods, services, or technology to Iran or the Government of Iran. The proposed conduct of surveys and interviews in Iran constitutes a prohibited export of services to Iran. As it would be contrary to current U.S. Government policy to issue a license authorizing such an export of services, your application is hereby denied.

If you have any additional questions about the economic sanctions programs administered by OFAC, you may refer to our web site at www.treas.gov/ofac or call our office at (202)622-2480.

R. Richard Newcomb Director Office of Foreign Assets Control