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PAKISTAN PRESS STATEMENT

WASHINGTON DC, April 25, 2020 Linden Government Solutions, a subsidiary of Linden Strategies, has been engaged by the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. Linden will provide strategic advisory and support in the United States.

With the principles of Linden having represented Pakistan from 2001 to 2004, the Linden team has a deep background on Pakistan - U.S. relations. With the addition of key subject matter experts and political veterans, the Linden team will assist the Pakistani Foreign Ministry on a number of core bilateral issues as well as complex ancillary initiatives.

“Our team is fully prepared to assist the Pakistani Embassy on a variety of fronts with both the Trump Administration and Congress,” said Stephen Payne. “Our efforts from 2001 to 2004 led to a significant improvement in bilateral relations and we believe the same, or greater degree, of improvement is possible today,” continued Payne. “With one of the fastest growing populations in the world, Pakistan is well positioned to dramatically increase trade with the United States, including partnering with the U.S. to accelerate Pakistan’s economic growth through mutually beneficial initiatives,” said Payne.

Stephen Payne, Linden’s President, and Brian Ettinger, Linden’s General Counsel, were FARA registered for Pakistan from 2001 to 2004, helping to reverse years of sanctions and encouraging Pakistan to join the fight against Al-Qaeda after 9/11. During this period the Linden team successfully assisted Pakistan in being designated a Non-NATO ally by the U.S., obtaining over \$3 billion in U.S. aid, and supported the purchase of F-16 fighter jets and other military equipment needed to support the War on Terror.

About Linden Government Solutions

Linden Government Solutions, a subsidiary of Linden Strategies, is a government relations firm providing strategic analysis and advisory to international clients, including sovereign nations. Our team of experts has a vast wealth of experience across government, and commercial enterprise and our clients span over 40 countries around the globe.

Mr. Payne has over 25 years of Governmental Affairs, Public Relations and Energy Consulting experience. He has provided government affairs representation to the countries of Pakistan, Azerbaijan and the UAE as well as corporations such as JP Morgan, SAP Software, Continental Airlines, Boeing, Lockheed Martin among many others. Prior to founding Linden Strategies, Mr. Payne served as a Senior Advance Representative under President George W. Bush, and on the staff of Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison.

Mr. Ettinger is an experienced government affairs and energy industry attorney. He has handled complex government relations and government regulatory matters including being a registered lobbyist for foreign governments, sovereign owned energy companies, and international businesses. Prior to becoming an attorney, Mr. Ettinger served as an assistant to the Mayor of Philadelphia and as Congressional Staff Assistant to Congressional House Leadership and Senator Joe Biden.

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