

Draft letter from E3 Ministers and EU High Rep, to Dr Rouhani

## PROPOSALS FOR A LONG TERM AGREEMENT

We agreed when we met you in Geneva on 25 May that we would put forward proposals at this time for a long term agreement between Iran and the E3/EU to address the outstanding issues in our negotiations. We have the pleasure of enclosing these proposals with this letter. They reflect extensive discussions among our Governments, and we hope you and your colleagues will study them carefully.

The proposals should be seen as a package. We have sought to take into account as many as we can of the points you and your negotiating team have made to us over the last months. In particular, the proposals:

- reaffirm Iran's inalienable rights to the peaceful use of nuclear energy, exercised in conformity with the NPT;
- offer Iran assurances of fuel supply for her light water power and research reactors;
- meet Iran's desire to expand international co-operation in the civil nuclear field;
- would lead to a new political and security relationship between Iran and Europe based on co-operation; and
- would create a new framework for expanded economic and technological co-operation.

We fully understand the importance of these issues for Iran, and that Iran will have further ideas that you and your colleagues will want to discuss in the negotiations. As ever, we remain open to discussion of all proposals which could lead to the conclusion of satisfactory long-term arrangements.

As we set out in our letter of 2 August, we were disappointed to learn that Iran had asked the IAEA to arrange for the removal of seals at the UCF at Esfahan with a view to restarting work on uranium conversion. We have therefore had no choice but to set in motion procedures for the convening of an extraordinary meeting of the IAEA Board of Governors. However, if Iran were to make clear that it will not proceed as it has indicated and will enter into discussions on the enclosed proposal, we are ready not to continue with this process.

We therefore hope that you will be ready to engage with our proposals, and that we can look forward to hearing your reactions at the proposed meeting of senior officials on 31 August in Paris, and we will be able to chart the way forward when we meet at ministerial level in New York in the margins of the UN General Assembly. Until we agree on new arrangements, the Tehran Joint Statement of October 2003 and the Paris Agreement of November 2004 will remain the basis for our work. Our aim remains to reach agreement on long term arrangements as soon as we practicably can, and to continue the process of building a new relationship between Iran and Europe.

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