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## **Hoekstra Statement on Disrupted Terrorist Plot**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Mich., Chairman of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, issued the following statement after a terrorist plot to bomb airliners over the Atlantic was disrupted:

“Today we awoke to a reminder that terrorism is not a vague, distant threat, but a reality we must face everyday. America and its allies around the world must remain vigilant against the terrorists that oppose our freedom and look for signs of weakness or a lack of focus to strike our homelands.

“The administration has done what it is supposed to do, and it has provided the relevant and necessary information to keep the committee informed.

“The disruption of this terrorist plot represents a significant intelligence success on the part of the United States and our British allies. It also shows the importance and benefit of international coordination and cooperation in the Global War on Terrorism.

“I commend America’s intelligence professionals and their British counterparts for their ongoing and persistent efforts to ensure the safety of our nations and citizens.”