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The Honorable Lucille Roybal-Allard  
Ranking Member  
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Dear Chairman Carter and Ranking Member Roybal-Allard,

I write with deep concerns about the Administration's proposal to cut critical funding for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) in Fiscal Year 2017.

As you know, UASI provides essential funding to state and local agencies in our country's largest urban areas most at-risk for a terrorist attack. This program supports key investments in training, communications infrastructure, and specialized counterterrorism programs to make sure that our cities can detect, prevent, and respond to terror threats.

The November terrorist attacks in Paris demonstrated once again the very real threat terrorism poses for major cities, and underscore the need to support counterterrorism efforts.

As the country's largest city, New York City remains a major terrorist target. The city is the financial and media capital of our country, the site of iconic sports and entertainment venues, and one of the country's busiest transportation hubs. In light of recent terror attacks in Paris, San Bernardino, and elsewhere, we must ensure that local jurisdictions receive the resources they need to address these threats.

Unfortunately, New Yorkers know the consequences of a terrorist attack, and they have responded by putting in place essential safeguards to prevent and respond to future terror threats. Full funding for UASI will ensure that New York and cities across the country can continue these critical efforts to keep our country safe.

Sincerely

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Member of Congress