

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Members of the Committee on Financial Services

**From:** FSC Majority and Minority Staff

**Date:** June 20, 2016

**Subject:** June 23, 2016, Task Force to Investigate Terrorism Financing hearing entitled “The Next Terrorist Financiers: Stopping Them Before They Start”

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The Task Force to Investigate Terrorism Financing will hold a hearing entitled “The Next Terrorist Financiers: Stopping Them Before They Start,” on Thursday, June 23, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2128 of the Rayburn House Office Building. This will be a one-panel hearing with the following witnesses:

- Mr. Juan C. Zarate, Senior Adviser, Center for Strategic and International Studies; Chairman and Senior Counselor, Center on Sanctions and Illicit Finance, Foundation for Defense of Democracies
- The Honorable Jimmy Gurulé, Law Professor, Notre Dame Law School
- Mr. John Cassara, former U.S. Intelligence Officer and Treasury Special Agent
- Professor Celina B. Realuyo, Professor of Practice, William J. Perry Center for Hemispheric Defense Studies, National Defense University
- Mr. Douglas Farah, President, IBI Consultants LLC; Senior Non-Resident Associate, Americas Program, Center for Strategic and International Studies and Senior Fellow, International Assessment and Strategy Center

As the eleventh and final hearing of the Task Force to Investigate Terrorism Financing, this hearing will summarize the two-year efforts of the Task Force to investigate the methods, locations, organizations, and financial mechanisms that terrorists utilize to fund their activities. Five witnesses who previously testified

before the Task Force during its two six-month sessions will recap the history and current state of terror finance and the methods used to combat it, as well as discuss ways governments will need to change their efforts as new illicit finance threats appear. The hearing will also include a discussion of actions Congress should consider to enable U.S. departments and agencies to better undertake anti-terror finance efforts in the future.