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STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR SENATE AMENDMENT 4814

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We write in support of Senator Susan Collin’s Amendment 4814, entitled “Discretionary Authority to Deny Transfers of Firearms or Explosives to Terrorists.” This amendment prohibits firearm sales to terrorism suspects appearing on either the government’s No-Fly List or the “Selectee List,” subsets of the Terrorism Screening Database (TSDB). This grants the Attorney General the authority to deny firearm sales to individuals suspected of involvement in terrorist activity. In addition, the amendment would provide a provision ensuring prompt notification to the FBI if individuals listed in the TSDB within the past five years purchase a firearm. We respectfully urge members of the Senate to take action and vote in support of Senator Collin’s Amdt 4814. We also continue to encourage Congress to take action to establish universal background checks for all firearm sales.

The National Law Enforcement Partnership to Prevent Gun Violence (www.lepartnership.org) is an alliance of the nation’s law enforcement leadership organizations concerned about the unacceptable level of gun violence in the United States. The Partnership is working to address the pervasive nature of gun violence and its horrific impact on community and officer safety.

The Partnership Includes:

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