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The Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr. Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Ave NW Rm 5111 Washington DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Holder:

I was concerned to learn that the Justice Department has refused to release information about its recent settlement with the Islamic Investment Company of the Gulf (IICG), whose affiliate Overland Capital was the subject of a grand jury investigation. According to news reports, Overland Capital is controlled by the Dar al-Maal al-Islami Trust (DMI), which was founded by Saudi Prince Mohammed al-Faisal and has been led by members of the Muslim Brotherhood, including Sudanese Muslim Brotherhood leader Hassan al-Turabi. Given these troubling connections to terrorism, it is imperative that the information about the department's settlement be immediately disclosed.

According to the *Wall Street Journal*, the entity controlling IICG and DMI has been previously investigated for links to terror financing, including funneling money to Hamas. I was troubled to learn of al-Turabi's close affiliation with DMI and that he served on its board during the 1980s and 1990s. As you may know, the 9/11 Commission report identified al-Turabi as responsible for bringing Osama bin Laden and al Qaeda to Sudan in the early 1990s and providing safe haven for the nascent terrorist organization. As the founder of the National Islamic Front in Sudan, al-Turabi is also responsible for decades of violence in Sudan that has led to the deaths of thousands of innocent men, women and children. During my first trip to Sudan in the early 1990s, I met with al-Turabi to urge him to halt his support violence against the Sudanese people.

I urge you to immediately release the settlement information with IICG and provide a full explanation for the delay in its disclosure. I look forward to your prompt response by September 16. A copy of this letter will be submitted to the *Congressional Record*.

