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THE DIRECTOR

January 13, 2015

The Honorable John A. Boehner  
Speaker of the House  
of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On behalf of the Administration, I am pleased to present for the consideration of the Congress an updated legislative proposal to improve cybersecurity for the American people. This proposal is an update to the Administration's 2011 Cybersecurity Legislative Proposal and focuses on the three remaining priorities that Congress has not yet enacted, or that the Administration is unable to accomplish without statutory change. Enclosed with the proposal is a sectional analysis that describes each provision.

The dramatic increase in cyber intrusions and the recent destructive and coercive attack on Sony Pictures Entertainment offer a stern reminder that we must act with urgency to do everything possible to better protect the Nation and economy against cyber threats. The President recently noted his hope that Congress will work with the Administration on "strong cybersecurity laws that allow for information-sharing across private sector platforms, as well as the public sector, so that we are incorporating best practices and preventing these attacks from happening in the first place." The President has made cybersecurity an Administration priority and welcomes the opportunity to assist Congressional efforts to pass cybersecurity legislation.

The Administration's updated proposal focuses on three priorities: 1) enhancing cyber threat information sharing within the private sector and between the private sector and the Federal Government; 2) protecting individuals by requiring businesses to notify consumers if personal information is compromised; and 3) strengthening and clarifying law enforcement's ability to investigate and prosecute cyber crimes.

The 113<sup>th</sup> Congress was able to pass important pieces of cyber legislation in a bipartisan manner. Those bills will allow the Government to better protect its networks, retain top-tier cyber professionals, and enhance government collaboration with the private sector. We are thankful for those efforts and the new authorities they have provided, but more work must be done. We urge the new Congress to work with the Administration to pass much-needed

legislation to improve cybersecurity information sharing, establish a single standard for data breach notification, and enhance key cybersecurity law enforcement tools.

Sincerely,



Shaun Donovan  
Director

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Identical Letter Sent to The President of The Senate



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