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RE: January 18, 2017 Minor Change to DOE Order 142.3A, Unclassified Foreign

Visitors and Assignments Program

Dear Dr. Cohen:

The Council of Governmental Relations (COGR) would like to thank you for advocating on behalf of research institutions through the most recent changes made to DOE Order 142.3A. The revised Order now formally acknowledges that foreign national access approval will not be required for research conducted under grants and other funding opportunities performed at institutions of higher education where the results will be published for public access. This permanent change to the Order will greatly reduce the administrative burden of having to gain prior approval for each foreign national who wishes to participate in DOE projects that are funded by program offices which report to the Under Secretary for Science and Energy.

We appreciate your efforts on behalf of COGR and all of our member institutions and look forward to working with you on future endeavors.

Sincerely,

Anthony DeCrappeo President