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(Washington, DC) – U.S. Rep. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-FL), Chairman of the Middle East and North Africa Subcommittee, made the following statement following reports of AMIA Special Prosecutor Alberto Nisman's death.

Statement by Ros-Lehtinen:

"I extend my sincere condolences to the family and friends of Alberto, as well as the people of Argentina, as they have all lost a strong defender of the rule of law and fighter against corruption and terrorism. My office and I were in frequent communication with Alberto to discuss the AMIA case and the threat that Iran and its proxy Hezbollah poses to hemispheric security. Under these mysterious circumstances, I urge an independent, transparent, and neutral entity to fully investigate the facts surrounding his death.

As the AMIA prosecutor, Alberto was always steadfast and committed to holding those accountable for the AMIA terrorist attacks and the investigation must continue unobstructed and in a transparent manner. In July 2013, President Kirchner denied Alberto from coming to the U.S. and testifying before Congress but for years I authored legislation condemning the AMIA attacks and mentioned Alberto's findings in our resolutions. Alberto appreciated it when I mentioned him in our press releases because he feared that people would forget these atrocious acts of terror perpetrated by Hezbollah."

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