

Dr. Burgess Weekly Video Address August 19, 2016  
“Ransom Payment to Iran”

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Hello, this is your Congressman, Michael Burgess.

This week the State Department confirmed what we already suspected—the 400 million dollar payment made to Iran was used as a ransom payment for the four innocent Americans wrongfully imprisoned.

U.S. media reports have confirmed that the plane carrying 400 million dollars in francs, euros and other foreign currency sent to Iran was timed to ensure that unjustly imprisoned Americans were released, before Iranian officials received the ransom money.

President Obama and his Administration were dishonest with the American people for months about this illicit transaction and put a price on every American’s head traveling abroad.

Even the Iranian press has described the payment as a ransom. This only contributes to the ayatollah’s narrative that Tehran continues to outmaneuver the Obama administration.

As the world’s largest state sponsor of terror, there is no doubt that Iran’s newfound money has already funded terrorist activities.

Between its dangerous nuclear agreement with Iran and the ransom payment for unlawfully held Americans, the Obama Administration continues succumbing to the self-proclaimed power of Iran.

I will not sit back and allow the safety of Americans to be threatened. I remain committed to working with the other members of the House of Representatives to do everything within our power to halt further reckless behavior of this Administration.

As always, I appreciate your comments and questions on this issue or any other. May God bless you and your family, and as the song says, may God bless Texas.