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The Honorable Bob Corker
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Robert Menendez
Ranking Member
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Corker and Ranking Member Menendez:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce supports the nomination of Francis R. Fannon to be Assistant Secretary of State. The Bureau of Energy Resources (ENR) is a central point within the U.S. government for projecting America's increasing energy strength and promoting fair and open markets abroad.

Energy security has quickly become a major competitive advantage for the United States, as well as a geopolitical advantage. Mr. Fannon is well qualified to shepherd ENR and ensure the Department of State works closely with the energy industry to secure America's energy future, promote all of America's energy resources and technologies, and facilitate fair and open energy trade.

The Chamber supports Mr. Fannon's nomination and urges the Committee to favorably report his nomination to the full Senate.

Sincerely,



Neil L. Bradley

cc: Members of the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations