Dr. Kelvin Droegemeier, OSTP Dr. France Córdova, NSF Dr. Francis Collins, NIH Washington, DC Dr. Chris Fall, DOE Dr. Michael Griffin, DOD

Dear Drs. Droegemeier, Collins, Córdova, Fall, and Griffin:

As leading science, engineering and international education organizations—representing hundreds of thousands of scientists, engineers and educators around the world—we recognize the need to maintain a balance between an openly collaborative scientific environment and protecting our economic and national security. However, that balance will be compromised if actions are implemented that take an overly broad approach to addressing a critical issue at the forefront today, rather than a more targeted response. Any response should consider the impact on both the overall scientific enterprise and on individual scientists and its development should include the input of the science and engineering community.

American Anthropological Association

American Association for Anatomy

American Association for Dental Research

American Association for the Advancement of Science

American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy

American Association of Immunologists

American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM)

American Association of Physics Teachers

American Astronomical Society

American Chemical Society

American Educational Research Association

American Geosciences Institute

American Institute of Biological Sciences

American Institute of Physics

American Mathematical Society

American Meteorological Society

American Nuclear Society

American Physical Society

American Physiological Society

American Society for Cell Biology

American Society for Engineering Education

American Society for Microbiology

American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics

American Society of Agronomy

American Society of Human Genetics

American Statistical Association

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)

Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology

Association of American Medical Colleges

Association of Environmental and Engineering Geologists

**Biophysical Society** 

Coalition for the Life Sciences

Crop Science Society of America

**Ecological Society of America** 

Entomological Society of America

Federation of American Scientists

Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology

Geological Society of America

Institute of Food Technologists

**Institute of Mathematical Statistics** 

International Academy for Systems and Cybernetic Sciences

NAFSA: Association of International Educators

National Cave and Karst Research Institute

New Mexico Academy of Science

New Mexico Geothermal LLC

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Paleontological Society

Parapsychological Association

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Social Science Research Council

Society For Biomaterials

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)

Society for Neuroscience

Society for the Study of Evolution

Society of Toxicology (SOT)

Soil Science Society of America

The International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE)

The Oceanography Society

OSA The Optical Society

Western North American Region (WNAR) of the International Biometric Society (IBS)

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