

Mr. Secretary Jacob Lew
US Secretary of Treasury
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Dear Secretary Lew,

On behalf of the People of Jordan and the **Jordanian Opposition Coalition (JOC)**, we would like to thank you and your colleagues for the wonderful work you have been doing to stop both counterfeiting and global money-laundering, especially as it flows out of the Middle East in general, and countries like Iran, Syria and Jordan specifically.

With that in mind, the United States and Jordan (my home country), clearly have had a deep friendship that has lasted for years. We are contacting you because of the role that the Department plays in the Middle East: For example, it is well known that the US Department of Treasury was the first to set up a counter-money laundering office, and this was done in the US Embassy in Amman.

Nonetheless, it is very painful for us to write to you today and let you know that the ruling Hashemite regime is not committed to the values and principles of democracy, let alone transparent financial operations. As such, the king has illegally funneled millions of dollars into both Swiss and offshore accounts as he prepares to depart the country and go into exile. His actions also include the stealing of both the historical and cultural wealth of the country.

Out of all the things that the King can steal from the people, one of the nation's most prized possessions was a gift given by his father (King Hussein) to the Jordanian people: an automobile museum filled with dozens and dozens of antique, one-of-a-kind-automobiles, many with values upwards of \$10 million each. It is estimated that all of the cars combined, on today's open market, will fetch almost ½ a billion American dollars.

At this point, I want to stress that these cars, and any income they derive from their sale, belongs to the Jordanian people and the democratically elected government that will take the king's place when he leaves.

Additionally, as the leader of the **JOC**, I would like to point out that since King Hussein's passing, the museum and maintenance of the cars has been paid for out of the grants and loans that have been given to Jordan from Western Countries. Additionally, the king has added about 200 cars to the museum, all of which appears to be paid for by the American tax payer.

With that out of the way, I want to share some inside information with you. Hopefully this is information that is being shared internationally: the unrest and chaos that has been storming Jordan lately is getting worse, with rioting and demonstrations in the street, and armed conflicts occurring between Jordanian police and army, as well as with civilians.

To many, this comes as no surprise. In fact, US presidential candidate and the former secretary of State, Mrs. Clinton publicly commented that Jordan's future was "not clear" and confirmed her belief that the world must "see what happens in Jordan" before endorsing the peace process, and even wondered "whether Jordan will remain stable".

This was not the first time that a statement like this was made. In fact, this same exact view was expressed a year earlier by an Israeli Mossad intelligence officer who leaked the following: Israel's top leadership believes that Jordan's king will be its last, and that the throne will never pass to his heirs.

We at the **JOC** agree with those comments and believe that Jordan's king's is on his last leg(s). Nonetheless, as with all falling dictators, a major issue that the Department of Treasury has to address is the wealth that those dictators stole from their people.

With that clearly in focus, we are writing you today in an effort to request that the Department of Treasury be on **ALERT** to a new form of Jordanian money laundering - the illegal importation of very expensive and historical religious artifacts, documents and vehicles from one country to another, specifically from Jordan to the United States.

As the official leader of the **JOC**, the unified opposition to the king of Jordan, we want you to know that king Abdallah II is in the process of looting the country of wealth and historical documentation, and along the way, has amassed a huge fleet of luxury vehicles at the expenses of the starving people of Jordan. The most lavish and extravagant automobiles are kept at the Jordanian Royal Auto Museum in Amman. It is recognized both in Jordan and throughout the region that this museum contains a collection of the rarest, most historical and expensive vehicles in the world.

The last registered owner of these vehicles is the State of Jordan, and therefore the people of Jordan.

This has become important to all parties involved because just recently, Jordan's king has left Jordan without any explanation or even public statements. His departure was so fast and unexplained, that he even missed Jordan's Eid religious holiday ceremonies, which are considered sacred in the ceremonial and protocol history of Jordan.

Although we don't know exactly where he is, it has been rumored that he has been in the US since June 24, 2016, and according to **JOC's** sources, he has been attempting to arrange his exile in the United States.

While we cannot confirm this 100%, our sources are pretty reliable. Even so, there is one fact that we can confirm: the king considers the Jordanian Royal Auto Museum as his own, and as such, he has been trying to smuggle those cars out of Jordan and into a safe haven in the west, with the United States being his number 1 option.

Furthermore, our sources confirm that his brother Feisal has spoken to US legislators about this. Now although we cannot confirm whom he has specifically spoken with in the

US Congress, we can confirm that because of their value, the Hashemite royal family has spoken about the vehicles with U.S. Congressman Jason Chaffetz (as exhibited below the in the photo distributed by Jordan's official media).



While we wholeheartedly welcome Congressman Chaffetz's visit and interest in our country, as well as the people's museum, we cannot confirm if the king's brother has spoken to the congressman about going into exile with the vehicles or his attempts to export the vehicles into the US for personal use when he moves into exile.

In closing, I know that this letter raises a lot of questions. I look forward to talking to you, or your designated staff person about this personally.

Thank you for your cooperation;

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