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Senator Menendez Should Resign Immediately

Washington, **D.C.** - Center for International Policy released the following statement in response to Senator Bob Menendez's recent indictment:

"Corruption corrodes democracy and undermines security. Even the appearance of corruption — let alone substantial evidence of it — diminishes confidence in those who have been elected to govern.

After the disastrous erosion of American international standing due to open, flagrant corruption in the Trump Administration, correcting course requires that we treat such matters with seriousness and urgency. Accountability is a cornerstone of effective democracy and necessary for building a foreign policy that works for and uplifts all, rather than the few.

While Senator Robert Menendez is due his day in court like any other person, the facts recently made public in his indictment make clear he is no longer fit to serve as an elected official. He should resign from the Senate immediately."