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## **STATEMENT OF ADMINISTRATION POLICY**

### **H.R. 2189 – Law-Enforcement Innovate to De-Escalate Act**

The Administration supports passage of H.R. 2189, the Law-Enforcement Innovate to De-Escalate Act. This legislation would allow less-than-lethal projectile devices to be classified as such, rather than as firearms under the Gun Control Act. It would increase the accessibility of these devices to law enforcement and American citizens, increasing public safety while reducing the use of lethal force.

Furthermore, Title II of H.R. 2189, the Innovate Less Lethal to De-Escalate Tax Modernization Act, would exempt less-than-lethal projectile devices from National Firearms Act taxes levied on firearms and ammunition, and require the government to publish a list of approved less-than-lethal projectile devices.

This legislation has significant bipartisan support, and represents common-sense modernizations of firearms law. It would increase access to innovative less-than-lethal weapons, such as tasers with greatly improved range and effectiveness, which are already being taken up by police forces in the United States and around the world. Such devices are currently subject to the strict registration and tax rules that apply to machine guns, and this bill would fix that.

In sum, this legislation if enacted is likely to strengthen law enforcement while also reducing fatalities, by making it easier for police forces to obtain cutting edge less-than-lethal devices, which is expected to reduce the use of lethal force.

If H.R. 2189 were presented to the President in its current form, his advisors would recommend that he sign it into law.

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