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ISA SAYS KAINE HAS RIGHT APPROACH ON CYBER SECURITY

(Washington, DC) – The Internet Security Alliance (ISA) today praised Hillary Clinton’s choice for Vice President, Senator Tim Kaine, noting that he has been a leader in pushing the Congress to be more aggressive on cyber security.

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ISA President Larry Clinton noted that, unlike other senators who had been reported as under consideration for the Democratic Vice President spot, Kaine voted for the information-sharing bill that used incentives to promote enhanced cyber security – a long time ISA legislative goal.

“Perhaps more importantly, in speeches and hearings, Senator Kaine is on record as saying that the next Administration needs to act with greater urgency and frankly invest more on cyber security,” said Clinton. “He has articulated, as we have at ISA, that the digital age fundamentally changed our world and we need to address this challenge much more aggressively and creatively.”

As an example of Kaine’s progressive approach to cyber issues, Clinton cited Kaine’s recent extended challenge of NSA Director Rogers over the need for a clear national policy with respect to government’s role defending the private sector when they are attacked by nation-state sponsored cyber attacks.

“ISA is about to publish a detailed set of sector-by-sector recommendations for the next Administration, written by our board,” Clinton said. “Virtually every one of the nine sectors we analyzed cited the need for greater clarity with respect to government’s role when private companies are attacked. We very much appreciated Senator Kaine’s extended engagement with Director Rogers pressing on this issue.”

Clinton also praised Kaine’s pragmatic approach to the encryption debate, which also mirrored ISA policy. Kaine has supported the McCaul-Warner encryption commission bill. ISA also supports that approach and has been a leader of the Digital Equilibrium Project, announced by RSA former Chairman Art Coviello.

“Not only encryption, but a wide range of issues overlapping the legitimate interests of the privacy, security, law enforcement and intelligence communities need to be addressed in a collaborative and thoughtful manner. Having a Vice President who understands the need to find the right balance and be supportive of this sort of process, should he be elected, would be very helpful,” said Clinton.

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