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Recent news report have stated that Siemens, which owns Siemens Transportation Systems Inc., partnered with Nokia last year to provide TCI, Iran's telecommunications company, the technology to monitor voice calls on the country's telephone networks. This has resulted in a controversy about whether this equipment has been used to spy on dissidents in the Country. It appears that Siemens, one of the world's largest engineering, energy and transportation conglomerates, continues to actively do business with the government of Iran in violation of world sanctions against this regime and supports its illegal nuclear development programs. It is imperative that the City of Los Angeles conduct an expeditious review to ensure that the City has divested from any company that does business with the government of Iran.

I THEREFORE MOVE that the City Council request the City Administrative Officer, Board of Public Works, the Department of Transportation and any other appropriate City department and agency, with the assistance of the City Attorney, to expeditiously review all outside contracts to ensure that the City does not contract with any company doing business with the government of Iran; and report to Council with the results and recommendations to institute a City prohibition against contracting with companies that conduct business with the government of Iran.

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