Washington, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Tom Rooney (FL-16), a Member of the House Intelligence and Armed Services Committees, today issued the following statement on the independent report produced by the Accountability Review Board on the September 11 attack in Libya:

“This report makes clear that the State Department ignored warnings and security concerns from the intelligence community, leading to a preventable attack that cost four American lives. This failure of leadership is unacceptable.

“Our investigation into the terrorist attack in Benghazi isn’t about finger pointing; this is about figuring out what went wrong so we can prevent future attacks. We need stronger leadership at the State Department, we need the Administration to heed warnings from the intelligence community, and we need significantly better security at our diplomatic posts around the world.”

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