## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

December 19, 2017

The Honorable Jefferson B. Sessions III The Honorable Rod J. Rosenstein U.S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Attorney General Sessions and Deputy Attorney General Rosenstein:

The House Committee on the Judiciary and the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform are conducting a joint investigation into decisions made by the Department of Justice (DOJ), including the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), during the 2016 presidential election.

Among other things, the Committees are investigating the circumstances surrounding the FBI's decision to publicly announce the investigation into former Secretary Clinton's handling of classified information, but not to publicly announce the investigation into campaign associates of then-candidate Donald Trump; the FBI's decision to notify Congress by letter of the status of the investigation both in October and November of 2016; the FBI's decision to appropriate from DOJ the decision-making authority with respect to charging or not charging former Secretary Clinton; and the FBI's timeline with respect to charging decisions.

Information available to the Committees, including information derived from recent congressional testimony, indicates that DOJ and FBI officials played an appreciable role in the decisions described above. In order to further the Committees' oversight of this important matter, we request that you make the following officials available for transcribed interviews starting **this Thursday**, **December 21**, **2017**: FBI Deputy Director Andrew McCabe, FBI Chief of Staff Jim Rybicki, and FBI counsel Lisa Page.

Please contact Robert Parmiter or Ryan Breitenbach at 202-225-5727 if you have any questions. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

**BOB GOODLATTE** 

Chairman

Committee on the Judiciary

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Committee on Oversight and

Government Reform

cc:

The Honorable Christopher Wray

Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

The Honorable Jerrold Nadler

Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary

The Honorable Elijah Cummings

Ranking Members, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform