

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

December 12, 2017

The Honorable Jefferson B. Sessions III
Attorney General
The Honorable Rod J. Rosenstein
Deputy Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Mr. Attorney General and Mr. Rosenstein:

We write in furtherance of our November 3, 2017 and November 20, 2017 letters requesting documents and information regarding FBI decision-making in 2016. As noted in our November 20, 2017 letter, this request includes about 1.2 million records previously provided to the Department's Office of the Inspector General.

On December 5, 2017, the Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs responded on your behalf and noted it is the Department's "intent to provide full production by January 15, 2018." The letter also noted "each document must now be individually evaluated by the Department to protect confidential or law enforcement sensitive information, and ensure proper production in accordance with longstanding Department policy."

It is our strong expectation that the Department will provide all of the requested documents, including law enforcement sensitive and classified information while observing appropriate protocols in the delivery of any such sensitive and classified information. However, we write to request your assurance that you will comply with the Committees' previous instructions including to provide a privilege log with "(a) the privilege asserted; (b) the type of document; (c) the general subject matter; (d) the date, author, and addressee; and (e) the relationship of the author and addressee to each other" if any document is withheld or redacted on the basis of a privilege.

In addition, we request the names of two individuals at the Department who will take responsibility for the document production and be charged with providing the Committees with timely, accurate, and definitive answers to any questions, on the record if necessary, we may have regarding the production.

Thank you for responding to this request by December 19, 2017. Please contact Steve Castor of Chairman Gowdy's staff at (202) 225-5074 or Robert Parmiter of Chairman Goodlatte's staff at (202) 225-3951 with any questions about this request. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

cc: The Honorable Jerrold Nadler, Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary

The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings, Ranking Member
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

Sincerely,



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Chairman
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