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The Honorable Christopher Wray
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
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Dear Director Wray:

The Committee on the Judiciary is conducting oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). In 2017, Google reportedly received subpoenas for private emails and records belonging to two Republican staffers of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) while HPSCI was investigating the FBI's misconduct.¹ These subpoenas only came to light in 2022 due to Google's policy of alerting customers five years after law enforcement takes such action.² The timing of these subpoenas raise questions about whether the subpoenas were in retaliation for HPSCI's oversight of the FBI.

On May 15, 2023, Special Counsel John Durham released a report documenting the FBI's misconduct in opening and executing the Crossfire Hurricane investigation against then-presidential candidate Donald Trump.³ This report confirms many of the concerns about FBI misconduct advanced by HPSCI in 2017. Accordingly, to inform our ongoing oversight of the FBI, please provide the following documents and information:

1. All documents and communications referring or relating to subpoenas issued to Google or any other email or telecommunications provider for records of members or staff of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence staff in 2017; and

¹ Victor Nava, *DOJ wanted GOP House intel staffers' data at height of Russia probe: report*, N.Y. POST (Dec. 19, 2022).

² John Solomon, *DOJ snooped on House Intelligence Committee investigators during Russia probe, subpoenas show*, JUST THE NEWS (Dec. 19, 2022).

³ JOHN H. DURHAM, OFF. OF SPECIAL COUNS., REPORT ON MATTERS RELATED TO INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITIES AND INVESTIGATIONS ARISING OUT OF THE 2016 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGNS (2023).

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2. All documents and communications referring or relating to documents received pursuant to subpoenas issued to Google or any other email or telecommunications provider for records of members or staff of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence staff in 2017.

The Committee is authorized to conduct oversight of the FBI pursuant to Rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives.⁴ Please provide this information as soon as possible, but no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 27, 2023. If you have any questions about this matter, please contact Committee staff at (202) 225-6906.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jim Jordan". The signature is stylized with a large "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Jim Jordan
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Jerrold L. Nadler, Ranking Member

⁴ Rules of the House of Representatives, R. X, 118th Cong. (2023).