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Federal Bureau of Investigation

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The Honorable Charles E. Grassley United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Grassley:

This responds to your letters, dated March 22, 2019, and June 18, 2019, to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) requesting additional information on the investigation into the shooting of Mr. Bijan Ghaisar. We are sending a similar response to Senator Warner who cosigned your June 18th letter. We apologize for the delay in responding.

Please be assured that the FBI has provided significant resources to this investigation, including assigning agents, analysts, and professional staff from the Washington Field Office, Criminal Investigative Division, and Laboratory Division. The FBI does not generally track the number of hours expended on a particular investigation. As explained in the FBI's March 15, 2019, letter to you regarding this investigation, and as Director Wray stated at the July 23, 2019, Senate Judiciary Committee's FBI Oversight Hearing, longstanding policy and practice prohibit releasing information about an ongoing investigation, which could jeopardize the investigation and any subsequent judicial proceedings. Additionally, while the FBI did publicly confirm that the investigation remains ongoing, it has not publicly provided details of the investigative activities.

Thank you for your support of the FBI, its mission, and its people.

Sincerely.

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