## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20510

November 20, 2019

## VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

The Honorable Christopher Wray Director Federal Bureau of Investigations Washington, D.C. 20535

Dear Director Wray:

We write today to request a briefing and a response to Senator Warner's letter from January 30, 2018, Senator Grassley's letters from December 17, 2018, and March 22, 2019, and the Senators' joint letter from June 18, 2019, on the shooting of Bijan Ghaisar. While the FBI has announced it has concluded its investigation into the shooting of Mr. Ghaisar, the FBI has continuously refused to answer several questions that were raised in the aforementioned letters because the investigation had yet to conclude. Now that the investigation has concluded, we expect to receive answers to these questions and a briefing on the FBI's investigative process and findings.

Investigations into the use of deadly force must be handled in a way that reinforces public confidence in law enforcement. Following completion of these types of investigations, it is necessary for investigators to be fully transparent to ensure that the public understands the circumstances of each incident. This creates transparency and builds public trust in law enforcement. Despite nearly two years of investigating this incident in which considerable FBI resources were used, the Ghaisar family, Congress, and the general public still do not have all the answers. The FBI needs to provide a full and thorough account of the events that led to Mr. Ghaisar's untimely death.

In order to shed light on this delicate situation, we ask that you respond to Senator Grassley's and Warner's letters and provide us with a briefing summarizing the findings of this investigation by no later than December 15, 2019. Additionally, we ask that you please arrange a time to provide our staffs with a briefing no later than December 6, 2019.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Grassley

United States Senator

Mark Warner

United States Senator