

**United States Senate**  
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**VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION**

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas  
Secretary  
Department of Homeland Security

Mr. Troy A. Miller  
Senior Official Performing the Duties of the Commissioner  
Customs and Border Protection

Mr. Tae D. Johnson  
Acting Director  
Immigration and Customs Enforcement

Dear Secretary Mayorkas, Mr. Miller, and Acting Director Johnson:

On April 1, 2021, at my request, the Department of Homeland Security Office of Intelligence and Analysis, Customs and Border Protection, and Immigration and Customs Enforcement provided a classified briefing to my and Senator Durbin's staff regarding national security issues at the Southern Border. Given the importance and timeliness of the information your staff provided, I requested a bipartisan member-level briefing for the Senate Judiciary Committee.

On April 19, 2021, the committee had that bipartisan member-level briefing with the same agencies. However, the agencies provided less information to the members than they did to staff. Moreover, during the course of the briefing and in response to member questions, the briefers stated that they would provide responsive material after the briefing; however, your agencies have failed to produce that responsive material to date.

As I've stated before, the Biden administration has created a national security crisis at the border and members need to fully understand the national security implications with respect to terrorists, narcoterrorists, human smugglers and their criminal counterparts. When the committee asks for a full member-level briefing, we expect your agencies to be open and transparent with as much detail as possible. On April 19, 2021, that standard wasn't met.

Accordingly, no later than May 10, 2021, please provide all responsive material in response to member questions from the April 19, 2021, briefing and work with my staff to arrange a follow-up member level briefing to provide updates on the border crisis.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Should you have any questions, please contact Josh Flynn-Brown and Erin Cregan of my Judiciary Committee staff at 202-224-5225.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chuck Grassley". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Charles E. Grassley  
Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary