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The Honorable Richard J. Durbin
 Ranking Member
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Dear Senator Durbin:

In your October 24, 2025, letter, you noted that “no one is served by a Congress that allows an Administration—of either party—to reject its oversight authority and usurp its legislative function.” I agree, but I find the spirit of this letter difficult to take seriously given the actions – or lack thereof – by my Democratic colleagues. Many of my Democratic colleagues failed to speak up when for four years the Biden administration obstructed my oversight and retaliated against my whistleblowers. Indeed, when I was last Ranking Member of this Committee, for two years I raised concerns about the Biden-DOJ and FBI thumbing their nose at my oversight requests. Other than a single short phone call scheduled by you with Attorney General (AG) Garland, which proved useless, nothing was done. Here, just this year, I, and my staff, have personally intervened in several Democratic oversight requests, doing more than what was ever done for my office.

As I have said, oversight conducted by this Committee should hold the government accountable and ensure the Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) remain true to their mission of equal justice under the law. Immediately before the DOJ oversight hearing with AG Bondi, I made public a number of documents from the Arctic Frost investigation that showed the Biden-FBI targeted the tolling data of eight Senators who were not subjects of the investigation.¹ These concerning documents showed the Biden-FBI even targeted three of our Committee colleagues: Senators Graham, Hawley, and Blackburn.² In addition, the Biden-FBI also attempted to collect the toll records for Senator Ted Cruz, but AT&T challenged Jack Smith’s legal basis and he backed down.³ Further, my oversight recently uncovered that at least 12 members with Verizon accounts were affected. That includes a hardline for Senator Cruz’s office, a staffer’s cell phone for former Senator Loeffler, and Senator Rick Scott.

During the DOJ oversight hearing, my Democratic colleagues had every chance to question AG Bondi about the reasons why Jack Smith chose to secretly obtain phone data on members of this Committee. If the shoe were on the other foot, I have no doubt all my Democratic colleagues would have tried to discover how the FBI could ever be weaponized so viciously against sitting members of Congress.

¹ See Press Release, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, *Biden FBI Spied on Eight Republican Senators as Part of Arctic Frost Investigation, Grassley Oversight Reveals* (Oct. 6, 2025), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/press/rep/releases/biden-fbi-spied-on-eight-republican-senators-as-part-of-arctic-frost-investigation-grassley-oversight-reveals>.

² *Id.*

³ See Ashley Oliver, *Major phone carriers reveal Jack Smith's subpoenas for Republican senators' records*, FOX NEWS (Oct. 30, 2025), <https://www.foxnews.com/politics/major-phone-carriers-reveal-jack-smiths-subpoenas-republican-senators-records>.

Since the October 7 oversight hearing, I have made public more than 1,700 pages of subpoena records from Arctic Frost that targeted Republican individuals and organizations.⁴ Specifically, thanks to courageous whistleblowers, it is now clear that the Biden-DOJ empowered Jack Smith to go on a fishing expedition, seeking bank records and communications from more than 430 Republican individuals, donors, and organizations, including Charlie Kirk's Turning Point USA.⁵ Arctic Frost may also have swept up the records of Senators Ashley Moody and Eric Schmitt due to their past service within the Republican Attorneys General Association. These documents provide even more troubling evidence of rampant government weaponization that occurred while Democrats were the sitting congressional oversight authority with the Committee's gavel.⁶ My Democratic colleagues had the power to investigate and failed to do so.

I long ago raised concerns about Jack Smith's role as Special Counsel. On December 6, 2022, I wrote to then-AG Garland to express concerns about Jack Smith's potential conflicts of interest and his reported role in politically charged investigations that targeted conservative nonprofits in the wake of *Citizens United*.⁷ In my letter, I noted the fact that Secretary Clinton and her staff received kid-gloves treatment from DOJ for her mishandling of highly classified information and Trump was treated the opposite way.⁸ DOJ apparently can exercise a double standard in aggressively pursuing a classified documents case against President Trump in contrast to Secretary Clinton's favorable treatment and even Joe Biden's. Notably, my investigative work exposed that Clinton's unauthorized server resulted in 38 State Department employees being found culpable for 91 security violations. An additional 497 violations were identified.⁹

On October 30, 2025, I received another letter from you and my Democrat colleagues requesting that Special Counsel Jack Smith be called to publicly testify before this Committee and to ask that DOJ transmit the second volume of his report. As my Republican colleagues and I made clear before the American people on October 29, 2025, bipartisan hearings will come in time. But we also made clear that we will not hold a hearing until we are in possession of all relevant documents from the FBI and DOJ. I have also written to Jack Smith stating my willingness to host a hearing when we receive and review all relevant records.¹⁰ In that letter, I asked Jack Smith questions which he has thus far failed to answer.

⁴ See Press Release, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, *NEW: Jack Smith Subpoenaed Records for Over 400 Republican Targets As Part of Arctic Frost* (Oct. 29, 2025), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/press/rep/releases/new-jack-smith-subpoenaed-records-for-over-400-republican-targets-as-part-of-arctic-frost>.

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, and Sen. Ron Johnson, Perm. Sub. Comm. on Investigations, to the Hon. Merrick Garland (Dec. 6, 2022), https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley_johnson_to_justice_deptjacksmith.pdf.

⁸ *Id.*

⁹ Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *State Dept.'s Clinton Server Review Found 38 Individuals Culpable for 91 Security Violations* (Oct. 18, 2019), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/state-dept-s-clinton-server-review-found-38-individuals-culpable-91-security>.

¹⁰ See Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Mr. Jack Smith (Oct. 23, 2025), https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley_to_jack_smith_-_hearing.pdf.

Moreover, as Chairman of this Committee, in 2018, I held an oversight hearing relating to the FBI's Clinton investigation and the DOJ OIG's report dissecting it.¹¹ As part of my oversight, I hosted with Inspector General Horowitz a bipartisan classified briefing for committee members on the classified annex to his Clinton Report. I then worked to get that Clinton Annex declassified, eventually successfully doing so this year.¹² In all those years, not once did my Democratic colleagues show any interest in uncovering the details contained in that classified document even though they expressed significant concern during the bipartisan classified briefing in 2018.

In addition, last year the Biden Justice Department produced a classified annex to the Durham Report. My staff tried to get access to that classified Durham Annex to no avail. The Biden Justice Department limited access to the Chairman and Ranking Member and one staffer for each. When I became Chairman this year, I renegotiated the terms of access and expanded it to include all committee members and an appropriately cleared staffer for each office. I also ensured that members and staff could take notes for oversight purposes, and I required this administration to bring the material to the Senate SCIF instead of members and staff having to travel to another location. These bipartisan access efforts could've been made by Democratic leadership last Congress, but it wasn't done. Pursuant to my request, the Durham Annex was later declassified.¹³ Accordingly, your side's interest in Jack Smith's report is inconsistent with earlier conduct.

Your October 24 letter also mentions a refusal to answer legitimate questions and the launching of partisan attacks on oversight efforts. I'm reminded of the obstruction that some of my Democratic colleagues engaged in during my oversight of the Hunter Biden matter.

For example, on July 13, 2020, then-Minority Leader Schumer, Senator Warner, former Speaker Pelosi and then-Representative Schiff sent a letter, with a classified attachment, to the FBI to express a purported belief that Congress was the subject of a foreign disinformation campaign.¹⁴ The classified attachment included unclassified elements that, among other things, attempted – and failed – to tie my investigation into the Biden family's financial deals to foreign disinformation. Those elements were then leaked to the press.¹⁵ As you are undoubtedly aware, I've successfully refuted those false allegations and made public a series of authentic bank records relating to the Biden family's connections

¹¹ Hearing, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, *Examining the Inspector General's First Report on Justice Department and FBI Actions in Advance of the 2016 Presidential Election* (June 18, 2018), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/committee-activity/hearings/examining-the-inspector-generals-first-report-on-justice-department-and-fbi-actions-in-advance-of-the-2016-presidential-election>.

¹² Press Release, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, *Newly Declassified DOJ Watchdog Report Shows FBI Cut Corners in Clinton Email Investigation* (July 21, 2025), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/press/rep/releases/newly-declassified-doj-watchdog-report-shows-fbi-cut-corners-in-clinton-email-investigation>.

¹³ Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Newly Declassified Appendix to Durham Report Sheds Additional Light on Clinton Campaign Plan to Falsely Tie Trump to Russia and FBI's Failure to Investigate* (July 31, 2025), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/newly-declassified-appendix-to-durham-report-sheds-additional-light-on-clinton-campaign-plan-to-falsely-tie-trump-to-russia-and-fbis-failure-to-investigate>.

¹⁴ See Press Release, S. Comm. on Fin., *Grassley, Johnson Call for Pelosi, Schumer, Schiff, Warner to Stop Playing Political Games with Election Security Intelligence* (Aug. 5, 2020), <https://www.finance.senate.gov/chairmans-news/grassley-johnson-call-for-pelosi-schumer-schiff-warner-to-stop-playing-political-games-with-election-security-intelligence>.

¹⁵ Natasha Bertrand, Andrew Desiderio, and Kyle Cheney, *Democrats: Packets sent to Trump allies are Part of Foreign Plot to Damage Biden*, POLITICO (July 23, 2020), <https://www.politico.com/news/2020/07/23/democrats-letters-to-trump-allies-are-foreign-plot-to-damage-biden-380217>.

to the communist Chinese government, which Democrats had previously tried – and failed – to claim advanced Russian disinformation.¹⁶

In addition, on July 16, 2020, then-Ranking Member Peters and then-Ranking Member Wyden wrote to me and Senator Johnson requesting a briefing from the FBI's Foreign Influence Task Force on matters purportedly relating to our investigation.¹⁷ On July 28, 2020, we responded to them and reminded them that in March 2020, the FBI and relevant members of the Intelligence Community had already briefed our committees and provided assurances that there was no reason that our committees should not continue their investigation.¹⁸ Nonetheless, the FBI succumbed to the Democratic pressure and provided the infamous August 6, 2020, briefing, which led to another press leak that continued to spread the falsehood that our investigation was somehow advancing Russian disinformation.¹⁹ Senator Blumenthal published an op-ed in *The Washington Post* the following day, on August 7, 2020, that amplified these false statements by accusing our investigation of “perpetuating Russian disinformation in the U.S. Senate.”²⁰ I thoroughly responded to these allegations in a letter I sent on August 20, 2020 to Senator Blumenthal as well as Senator Van Hollen.²¹

And then-Minority Leader Schumer and then-Ranking Member Wyden tried to offer a resolution in the Senate disparaging our Biden investigation.²² They were basically calling us Russian stooges. They violated the Senate rules in their efforts and, of course, were appropriately shut down.

¹⁶ Floor Speech, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley, Johnson Discuss Investigation into Biden Family Foreign Financial Entanglements - Part 1* (Mar. 28, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-johnson-discuss-investigation-into-biden-family-foreign-financial-entanglements-part-1>; see also Floor Speech, Sen.

Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley, Johnson Release Bank Records Tying Biden Family to CCP-Linked Individuals & Companies* (Mar. 29, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-johnson-release-bank-records-tying-biden-family-to-ccp-linked-individuals-and-companies>; Floor Speech, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *The Biden Family Investigation – Part III: James Biden* (Apr. 5, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/the-biden-family-investigation-part-iii-james-biden>; see also Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, and Sen. Ron Johnson, Perm. Sub. Comm. on Investigations, to Ms. Nikki Floris, Intelligence Div. and Mr. Bradley Benavides, Counterintelligence Div., FBI (Aug. 25, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley-johnson-to-fbi-august-2020-briefing.pdf>.

¹⁷ Letter from Sen. Ron Wyden, S. Comm. on Fin., and Sen. Gary Peters, S. Comm. on Homeland Sec. and Governmental Aff., to Sen. Charles Grassley, S. Comm. on Fin., and Sen. Ron Johnson, S. Comm. on Homeland Sec. and Governmental Aff. (July 16, 2020), https://www.hsgac.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/imo/media/doc/200716_Letter_PetersWyden_IntelligenceBriefingRequest.pdf.

¹⁸ Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on Fin., and Sen. Ron Johnson, S. Comm. on Homeland Sec. and Governmental Aff., to Sen. Ron Wyden, S. Comm. on Fin., and Sen. Gary Peters, S. Comm. on Homeland Sec. and Governmental Aff. (July 28, 2020), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/johnson-grassley-denounce-democrat-disinformation-campaign-response-peters-wyden>.

¹⁹ See Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, and Sen. Ron Johnson, Perm. Sub. Comm. on Investigations, to Ms. Nikki Floris, Intelligence Div. and Mr. Bradley Benavides, Counterintelligence Div., FBI (Aug. 25, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley-johnson-to-fbi-august-2020-briefing.pdf>.

²⁰ See Sen. Richard Blumenthal, *The threat to U.S. elections is real, and frightening. The public has a right to know*, THE WASHINGTON POST (Aug. 7, 2020), https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/the-threat-to-us-elections-is-real-and-frightening-the-public-has-a-right-to-know/2020/08/07/366dba0e-d8dd-11ea-930e-d88518c57dec_story.html.

²¹ See S. Comm. on Homeland Security and Gov. Affairs & S. Comm. on Fin., *Majority Staff Report at 62* (Sept. 18, 2020), <https://www.finance.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/HSGAC%20-%20Finance%20Joint%20Report%202020.09.23.pdf>; see also Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on Fin., *Grassley, Johnson to Colleagues: Stop Spreading Foreign Sourced Falsehoods* (Aug. 20, 2020), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-johnson-colleagues-stop-spreading-foreign-sourced-falsehoods>.

²² See Statement for the Record, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley (Again) Rejects Democrats' Baseless Claims about Burisma Probe* (Sept. 16, 2020), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-again-rejects-democrats-baseless-claims-about-burisma-probe>.

These repeated and consistent efforts at attacking colleagues in the Senate for doing good government oversight based on government records was as disgraceful then as it is today. My own colleagues obstructed my oversight work and falsely accused me of advancing Russian disinformation. Even though I've released authentic bank records to support my work, not one of my colleagues who so badly disparaged me has ever apologized.

So, I don't need another letter lecturing me about partisan attacks.

Your letter also raises concerns about receiving generic responses and a failure to obtain specific legal rationales for this administration's policies. Year after year, I have raised these very same concerns with respect to oversight issues regarding the Biden-DOJ and nothing was done. The Biden DOJ literally ignored hundreds of my oversight requests. Instead, I relied on whistleblowers to advance my investigative work. Whistleblowers who were retaliated against by the Biden administration, and my Democratic colleagues didn't lift a finger to help.

As some examples of my oversight that were ignored, my oversight uncovered evidence that the Biden administration failed to adequately vet Afghan evacuees.²³ Despite these failures of the Biden

²³ See Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Watchdog Report Corroborates Grassley Oversight of DHS, FBI Failures to Properly Vet Afghan Evacuees* (July 1, 2024), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/watchdog-report-corroborates-grassley-oversight-of-dhs-fbi-failures-to-properly-vet-afghan-evacuees#:~:text=Watchdog%20Report%20Corroborates%20Grassley%20Oversight%20of%20DHS,%20FBI>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley & Judiciary Committee Colleagues Introduce Bill to Protect Afghan Allies* (July 21, 2023), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-and-judiciary-committee-colleagues-introduce-bill-to-protect-afghan-allies>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley Joins Thune, Risch, Colleagues to Introduce Bill to Release Afghanistan Dissent Cable*, News Releases (May 12, 2023), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-joins-thune-risch-colleagues-to-introduce-bill-to-release-afghanistan-dissent-cable>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley: Americans Deserve to Know How FBI Is Addressing Afghan Evacuee Vetting Failures* (Sep. 21, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-americans-deserve-to-know-how-fbi-is-addressing-afghan-evacuee-vetting-failures>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley Statement on DHS Inspector General Finding Deficiencies with Vetting of Afghan Parolees* (Sep. 7, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-statement-on-dhs-inspector-general-finding-deficiencies-with-vetting-of-afghan-parolees>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Senators Seek Transparency on Flagged Afghan Evacuees Amid Ongoing Concerns of Vetting, Security Failures* (Aug. 22, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/senators-seek-transparency-on-flagged-afghan-evacuees-amid-ongoing-concerns-of-vetting-security-failures>; Hearing, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, *Oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation* (Aug. 4, 2022), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/committee-activity/hearings/08/04/2022/oversight-of-the-federal-bureau-of-investigation>; Remarks, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley Statement at FBI Oversight Hearing – Prepared Opening Statement by Senator Chuck Grassley of Iowa* (Aug. 4, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-statement-at-fbi-oversight-hearing>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley, Portman, Inhofe Demand Update from FBI on Afghan Evacuees Flagged for Security Concerns, Denounce DHS' Continued Failure to Use All Vetting Tools* (May 27, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-portman-inhofe-demand-update-from-fbi-on-afghan-evacuees-flagged-for-security-concerns-denounce-dhs-continued-failure-to-use-all-vetting-tools>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley Statement on Watchdog Warnings about Deficient Vetting of Afghan Evacuees* (Feb. 17, 2022), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-statement-on-watchdog-warnings-about-deficient-vetting-of-afghan-evacuees>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Portman, Grassley, Shelby, Risch, Inhofe & Capito Request Biden Administration Provide Overdue Report on Composition & Vetting of Afghan Evacuees* (Dec. 22, 2021), https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/portman-grassley-shelby-risch-inhofe-and-capito-request-biden-administration-provide-overdue-report-on-composition_vetting-of-afghan-evacuees; Remarks, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *State Dept. AWOL as Americans, Allies Remain Stranded in Afghanistan* (Oct. 28, 2021), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/state-dept-awol-as-americans-allies-remain-stranded-in-afghanistan>; Remarks, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley on Afghanistan Collapse through the Lens of the Inspector General – Prepared Floor Remarks by U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley of Iowa* (Sep. 27, 2021), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-on-afghanistan-collapse-through-the-lens-of-the-inspector-general>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley Presses Justice Dept., FBI on Terrorist Travel after Afghanistan Withdrawal* (Sep. 27, 2021), <https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-presses-justice-dept-fbi-on-terrorist-travel-after-afghanistan-withdrawal>; Remarks, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley on President Biden's Afghanistan Failures – Prepared Floor Remarks by U.S. Senator Chuck Grassley of Iowa*, Remarks (Sep. 15, 2021),

administration, my Democratic colleagues never once joined me in following up to find out why improperly vetted individuals were allowed to settle into our country.

As another example, through more than ten years of oversight of the Unaccompanied Alien Children (UAC) Program, I've also tried to uncover the truth of the harmful policy decisions which placed hundreds of thousands of migrant children in peril. When I referred incriminating evidence to DHS during the Biden administration, federal law enforcement officials issued subpoenas to investigate more than 100 UAC sponsors suspected of harming children.²⁴ The Biden-DHS failed to fully comply with two-thirds of the subpoenas that were issued.²⁵ This failure not only kept dangerous suspects on the streets, but also is another example of a policy decision that wasn't fully explained to me or to the American people. As I've continued my oversight, I've learned that problems with the UAC program under the Biden administration were worse than many could have imagined. Witnesses have testified before this Committee that the vetting of sponsors was abysmal and that the Biden-UAC program facilitated an "assembly line of exploitation."²⁶ This Committee could've done hearings last Congress on this very matter. Indeed, I hosted a roundtable on this very issue last year, and my Democratic colleagues didn't show, even though they were invited.

Finally, your letter raises issues about not getting answers concerning recent terminations at DOJ that your letter indicates were an attack on this administration's political enemies. However, the record is abundantly clear that the DOJ during the Biden administration acted with political bias and retaliated against whistleblowers. For example, whistleblowers have said that the Biden-DOJ and FBI retaliated against employees for making legally protected whistleblower disclosures or because their political beliefs didn't align with the Biden administration.²⁷ Some of those fired personnel retaliated against my whistleblowers and ruined their lives. The Trump administration is now working to right the ship to hold the bad actors accountable, and fire them if necessary. Whistleblowers have said holding these DOJ and FBI personnel accountable "isn't retribution, it's responsible leadership."²⁸ I didn't hear one word from my Democrat colleagues about defending these whistleblowers and demanding that the Biden administration hold these wrongdoers accountable for their misconduct.²⁹

<https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/remarks/grassley-on-president-bidens-afghanistan-failures>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley to Biden Admin: Don't Let Bad Actors Take Advantage of Chaotic Afghanistan Withdrawal* (Aug. 31, 2021),

<https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-to-biden-admin-dont-let-bad-actors-take-advantage-of-chaotic-afghanistan-withdrawal>; Press Release, Sen. Charles E. Grassley, *Grassley Statement on Afghanistan* (Aug. 26, 2021),

<https://www.grassley.senate.gov/news/news-releases/grassley-statement-on-afghanistan>.

²⁴ See Letter from Sen. Charles E. Grassley, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, to the Hon. Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. (May 27, 2025),

[https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley to hhs - backlog of unaccompanied migrant children reports.pdf](https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley%20to%20hhs%20-%20backlog%20of%20unaccompanied%20migrant%20children%20reports.pdf).

²⁵ *Id.*

²⁶ See Hearing, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, *Another Biden Blunder: Missing Unaccompanied Alien Children and Criminal Sponsors* (Sept. 17, 2025), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/committee-activity/hearings/another-biden-blunder-missing-unaccompanied-alien-children-and-criminal-sponsors>.

²⁷ See Letter from Sen. Charles Grassley, S. Comm. on the Judiciary, to the Hon. Pam Bondi, Attorney General, Department of Justice and the Hon. Kash Patel, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation (Mar. 20, 2025),

[https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley to doj fbi - security clearance reinstatement1.pdf](https://www.grassley.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/grassley%20to%20doj%20fbi%20-%20security%20clearance%20reinstatement1.pdf).

²⁸ See Opening Statement, *Grassley Opening Statement at Executive Business Meeting on the Nomination of Kash Patel to be FBI Director* (Feb. 13, 2025), <https://www.judiciary.senate.gov/press/rep/releases/grassley-opening-statement-at-executive-business-meeting-on-the-nomination-of-kash-patel-to-be-fbi-director>.

²⁹ *Id.*

Your side had your chance to run your investigations and do your oversight for the past two Congresses. After my multi-year oversight requests, that never received any assistance from your side, are fulfilled, I will attempt to assist in nonpolitical, legitimate oversight requests from my Democratic colleagues. I remain fully committed to bipartisan, good faith efforts to root out waste, fraud, and abuse within government and doing bipartisan oversight as evidenced by our joint work this year. I hope you and your colleagues will join me in my ongoing efforts.

Sincerely,

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

Charles E. Grassley
Chairman
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