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The Honorable Tom Cotton
Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Cotton and Chairman Grassley:

Thank you for your letter on the reauthorization of Title VII of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) and for your leadership on the bicameral, bipartisan proposal to extend this critical authority for three years. We are actively reviewing the full impact of a potential lapse in authority and look forward to working with you to ensure we have the tools necessary to keep the American people safe. As you both know, FISA Section 702 is the single most indispensable tool we have to accomplish that by providing our Intelligence Community with irreplaceable authorities to target foreigners abroad. Allowing Section 702 to expire would have dire impacts on our ability to keep the Nation secure.

As a former United States Senator, I understand firsthand the political challenges in extending Section 702. While Section 702 is already subject to rigorous oversight by all three branches of government, the Administration was proud to work with you on the robust set of additional safeguards to protect the American people's privacy in this legislation.

Despite the strong reforms that congressional Democrats helped craft, I am deeply disappointed to see them walk away from the legislation over political differences. This Administration has gone above and beyond in implementing every reform in 2024 reauthorization, and there is no evidence of any political abuse or misuse of Section 702 under President Trump. This Administration—and every single appointee—is committed to protecting Americans' constitutional rights both in current law and through the additional safeguards contained in your legislation.

You know that allowing Section 702 to lapse will be devastating to our national security; your Democrat colleagues know that, too. The security and constitutional rights of the American people are too important to be subject to partisan politics. I urge Senate Democrats to put partisanship aside and join you in reauthorizing Section 702 before it is too late.

Sincerely,



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National Security Advisor