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VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

The Honorable Mike Pompeo
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Director Pompeo:

The *Washington Post* recently reported that President Trump separately asked top intelligence officials – DNI Director Daniel Coats and NSA Director Admiral Michael Rogers – to comment publicly on evidence of collusion during the 2016 election. The article also reported that “senior White House officials sounded out top intelligence officials about the possibility of intervening directly with Comey to encourage the FBI to drop its probe of Michael Flynn, Trump’s former national security adviser, according to people familiar with the matter.”

We are writing to ask that you confirm, in writing, whether President Trump asked you to speak publicly regarding the investigations of Russian interference in the 2016 election, including alleged connections between Trump associates and Russia. If so, please explain when any such conversations took place, who was involved, and what was discussed. Please also provide any documents related to these communications.

We also ask that you confirm, in writing, whether White House officials discussed with you or any other top CIA officials the possibility of encouraging the FBI to drop its investigation of Michael Flynn. If so, please explain when these conversations took place, who was involved, and what was discussed. Please also provide any documents related to these communications.

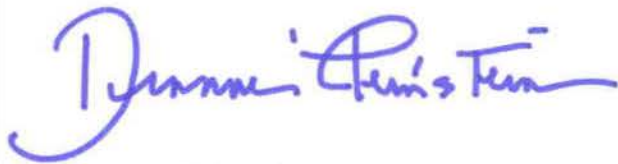
We appreciate your prompt attention to this important matter and ask that you respond as soon as possible, but no later than June 9, 2017.

If you have any questions, please contact Patrick Davis of Chairman Grassley's staff at (202) 224-5225, Heather Sawyer of Ranking Member Feinstein's staff at (202) 224-7703, Lee Holmes of Chairman Graham's staff at (202) 224-5972, or Lara Quint of Ranking Member Whitehouse's staff at (202) 224-2921.

Sincerely,



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