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The Honorable Jeh Johnson Secretary Department of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Johnson:

According to press accounts, Emmanuel Jesus Rangel-Hernandez has been charged with firstdegree murder in the death of four individuals in Charlotte, North Carolina, including Mirjana Puhar, a former contestant on "America's Next Top Model." Mr. Rangel-Hernandez allegedly applied for and received deferred action under the President's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) program.

Please provide to the Committee a copy of 1) the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) alien file on Rangel-Hernandez; 2) any information collected or maintained on Rangel-Hernandez by Immigration and Customs Enforcement; 3) any information collected or maintained on Rangel-Hernandez by U.S. Customs and Border Protection; 4) any other information collected or maintained on Rangel-Hernandez by the Department of Homeland Security.

In addition, please answer the following questions:

- 1. Did Rangel-Hernandez ever apply for DACA? If so, was his application approved? Please provide copies of his DACA application.
- 2. Did USCIS know or have reason to know that Rangel-Hernandez was a gang member at the time his DACA application was approved? If so, please provide the details about how and when the Department knew of any gang affiliation and explain why his DACA application would be approved despite the gang affiliation.
- 3. If approved for DACA, has Rangel-Hernandez's DACA grant been terminated? Has his employment authorization been terminated? If so, when? If not, why not?

I request that the Department respond to this letter no later than March 9, 2015. Should you have any questions, please contact Kathy Nuebel of my Committee staff at (202) 224-5225. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Charles E. Grassley

Senate Committee on the Judiciary