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VIA ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION

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Dear Mr. Waldman,

The Committee's February 26, 2018, letter to you requested information pertaining to the nature and extent of your relationships with Mr. Christopher Steele and Russian oligarch Oleg Deripaska, in light of press reports that you have acted as an intermediary for both with the U.S. government. It also requested that you sit for a transcribed interview with Committee staff.

Your attorney replied on March 5, 2018, to inform the Committee that you were willing to consider participating in a voluntary private interview if conditions and ground rules were agreed upon in advance. His letter proposed that an interview be scheduled in May 2018 and noted that a response to the specific questions posed in the Committee's February 26 letter would be forthcoming.

As requested, the Committee contacted your attorney in early May to schedule your interview. However, during a May 7, 2018 call with staff, your attorney informed the Committee that there had been an "intervening event" and that due to the imposition of sanctions on Mr. Deripaska by the U.S. Department of the Treasury, you would be unable to comply with the Committee's request without permission from the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC). During this call, Committee staff also spoke at length with your attorney to address other concerns raised in your March 5 letter, including concerns regarding the treatment of any information you might provide as well as the treatment of any transcript that might be made of your testimony. They also communicated my willingness to

work with you to set parameters in advance of your interview and resolve any concerns that you might have related to matters of privilege. Following these assurances, your attorney suggested that as a next step, the Committee contact OFAC to address whether the sanctions against Mr. Deripaska would preclude your cooperation with the Committee.

In response, the Committee contacted OFAC, and staff worked with the agency to secure a license authorizing you to provide the requested documents and testimony. An OFAC license was issued on June 8, 2018.

During a June 26, 2018 call with Committee staff, your attorney confirmed that the license did change circumstances regarding the sanctions but noted that due to an error in transmission, he had only received the license and brought it to your attention the day before. He also stated that you were out of the country and were not expected back for several months. Committee staff informed him that due to your continued absence, an interview via videoconference might be an option, and he agreed to communicate that possibility to you.

At this point, I expect that you have had an opportunity to review the OFAC license and consider the proposed option of a videoconference interview. Accordingly, please contact the Committee no later than August 17, 2018, to schedule your interview. Please provide the documents requested and answers to the questions posed in my February 26 letter by that date, as well.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter. If you have any questions, please contact Daniel Parker of my Committee staff at (202) 224-5225.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Grassley
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cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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