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Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol

August 25, 2021

The Honorable Merrick B. Garland
Attorney General
Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Garland:

The Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol is examining the facts, circumstances, and causes of the attack and relating to the peaceful transfer of power, in order to identify and evaluate lessons learned and to recommend corrective laws, policies, procedures, rules, or regulations.

Pursuant to the purposes and functions set forth in House Resolution 503, the Select Committee requests that you produce the documents described in the attached schedule in your custody, control, or possession. Please produce this information to the Select Committee no later than September 9, 2021. Please also make staff available expeditiously to meet with Select Committee staff to discuss document production priorities. An attachment to this letter provides additional instructions for responding to the Select Committee's request.

If you have questions, please contact Select Committee investigative staff at 202-225-7800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bennie G. Thompson".

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman

SCHEDULE

Pending Requests

The Select Committee reiterates the requests from multiple committees of the House of Representatives made in the March 25, 2021,¹ request for documents relating to the counting of the electoral college vote on January 6, 2021, the potential for demonstrations, violence, or attacks in the National Capital Region, and to the events of January 6 or aftermath, which the Select Committee subsequently joined; and the May 21, 2021,² request for documents relating to any efforts, instructions, or requests to challenge or influence in any way the results of the 2020 election, the certification of the electoral college vote, or the counting of electoral votes by Congress.

Additional Requests

To the extent not included in the scope of the pending requests described above, the Select Committee further requests:

1. All documents and communications between November 3, 2020, and January 20, 2021, relating to potential or actual changes in Department of Justice (DOJ) senior personnel that include Presidential appointees, temporary, and acting officials.
2. All documents and communications relating to instructions to stop or delay preparation for the transition of the administrations.
3. All records and communications from November 3, 2020, through January 20, 2021, regarding investigations of alleged voter fraud, including but not limited to all records and communications relating to the November 9, 2020, instructions by then-Attorney General William Barr to U.S. Attorneys to investigate allegations of voting irregularities.
4. All documents and communications involving Mark Meadows, Kurt Olsen, Rudolph “Rudy” Giuliani, Sidney Powell, Jenna Ellis, Joseph diGenova, or Victoria Toensing, or any other persons from November 3, 2020, through January 20, 2021, relating to potential DOJ intervention in litigation filed by the Trump campaign or States challenging election results, or otherwise questioning the validity of the 2020 election results.

¹ Letter from Chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney, House Committee on Oversight and Reform, et al., to Merrick B. Garland, Attorney General, Department of Justice (March 25, 2021) (online at <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/2021-03-25.House%20Committees%20to%20Agencies%20re%20Jan%206%20Attack.pdf>).

² Letter from Chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney, House Committee on Oversight and Reform to Merrick B. Garland, Attorney General, Department of Justice (May 21, 2021) (online at <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/2021-05-21.CBM%20to%20Garland-DOJ%20re%20Election%20Fraud.pdf>).

5. From November 3, 2020, to January 20, 2021, all documents and communications relating to the possibility of invoking the Insurrection Act, including but not limited to documents and communications concerning that possibility with respect to preparation for the events of January 6, 2021, or responding to the January 6, 2021, attack.
6. All documents and communications concerning the use of law enforcement or military personnel during voting in the 2020 Presidential election. All documents and communications referring or relating to meetings or discussions up through and including January 6, 2021, relating to challenging the validity of the 2020 election between former President Donald J. Trump or other White House officials and one or more of the following officials: Jeffrey Rosen, Richard Donoghue, Patrick Hovakimian, Byung J. “BJay” Pak, Bobby Christine, and Jeffrey Clark, or any other DOJ official.
7. All documents and communications referring or relating to meetings or discussions up through and including January 6, 2021, relating to challenging the validity of the 2020 election and involving Jeffrey Clark.
8. All documents and communications relating to the designation of DOJ as the lead agency for security preparation and response relating to the events of January 6, 2021.
9. All documents and communications internally expressing concerns of the Government’s ability to handle events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
10. All documents and communications on January 6, 2021, relating to the deployment of law enforcement personnel or military assets to the U.S. Capitol.
11. All documents and communications from November 3, 2020, through January 20, 2021, relating to the use of martial law.
12. All documents and communications from November 3, 2020, through January 20, 2021, relating to defying orders from the President.
13. All documents and communications from November 3, 2020, through January 6, 2021, concerning the certification of the results of the 2020 Presidential election, including but not limited to documents and communications concerning the role of the Vice President as the Presiding Officer in the certification of the votes of the electoral college.
14. All documents and communications relating to actual or attempted conversations between any DOJ official and President Trump or any other White House official on January 5–6, 2021, relating to the January 5th rally, the January 6th rally, and/or the January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol.
15. From November 3, 2020, through January 20, 2021, all documents and communications relating to the Twenty-Fifth Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

16. To the extent not included in the scope of items 1–15 above, all documents and communications referring or relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
17. Copies of all documents and communications already produced to other investigatory bodies, including, but not limited to, the Senate, House, Government Accountability Office, and any offices of inspectors general, or to private entities or in response to FOIA requests, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.