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THE SELECT SUBCOMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE
REMAINING QUESTIONS SURROUNDING JANUARY 6, 2021

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October 30, 2025

Ms. Pamela A. Smith
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Dear Chief Smith:

The Select Subcommittee to Investigate the Remaining Questions Surrounding January 6, 2021 (Select Subcommittee) is conducting oversight of the events that occurred at the Capitol and the response and subsequent investigation. Last Congress, the House Administration Subcommittee on Oversight successfully highlighted security failures that the House Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (January 6th Select Committee) failed to investigate.¹ The House Administration Oversight Subcommittee also found that the January 6th Select Committee failed to archive certain video footage and that many documents were missing or deleted.²

This Congress, the Select Subcommittee will continue its vigorous oversight of the law enforcement entities that responded to the events of January 6, ensuring that the unresolved questions are answered, that law enforcement agencies are faithfully serving the American people, and that the United States Capitol Complex is secure. To assist in our oversight, we respectfully request that you produce to the Select Subcommittee all materials provided by the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) to the January 6th Select Committee in the 117th Congress, including all documents and communications between or among the January 6th Select Committee and MPD. In addition, the Select Subcommittee requests that MPD produce the following materials:

1. All MPD surveillance footage preserved in relation to the events of January 6, including but not limited to the pipe bombs placed outside the Democratic National Committee (DNC) and Republican National Committee (RNC) on January 5, 2021;

¹ STAFF OF THE HOUSE ADMINISTRATION SUBCOMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT, INTERIM REPORT ON THE FAILURES AND POLITICIZATION OF THE JANUARY 6TH SELECT COMMITTEE, 118TH CONG. (2024).

² *Id.* at 13-14.

2. All documents and communications referring or relating to MPD's response to and investigation of the pipe bombs planted at the DNC and RNC;
3. All radio transmissions preserved in relation to MPD's response to the Capitol and the pipe bombs found at the DNC and RNC on January 6;
4. All body worn camera (BWC) footage from MPD officers responding to the pipe bombs found at the DNC and RNC on January 6;
5. All documents and communications referring or relating to plain clothes officers deployed on January 6 at or near the Ellipse, U.S. Capitol, DNC, and RNC, including but not limited to video recordings made by these plain clothes officers;
6. All Electronic Surveillance Unit (ESU) emails and text messages referring or relating to the events that occurred or would occur near the Capitol between January 4, 2021 and January 7, 2021; and
7. All documents and communications referring or relating to MPD encounters with or observance of counter protestors, including but not limited to Antifa and Black Lives Matter (BLM), on January 5 or 6.

Please provide this material as soon as possible but no later than 5:00 p.m. ten business days following reinstatement of appropriations. H. Res. 605 authorized the Select Subcommittee "to conduct a full and complete investigation and study and issue a final report of the events surrounding January 6, 2021 regarding matters within the jurisdiction of the Committee on the Judiciary under clause 1(l) of rule X of the Rules of the House of Representatives."³ Pursuant to the Rules of the House of Representatives, the Committee on the Judiciary has legislative and oversight jurisdiction over criminal law and law enforcement in the United States.⁴

³ H. Res. 605, 119th Cong. (§) 1(a)(1) (2025).

⁴ Rules of the House of Representatives, R. X., cl.1(l)(7) (2025).

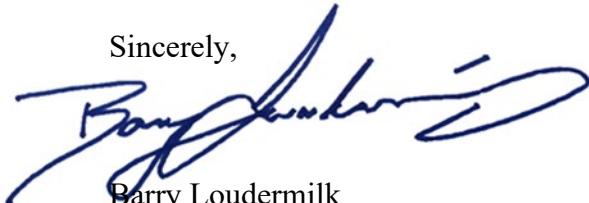
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If you have any questions about this matter, please have your staff contact Committee staff at (202) 225-6906. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Barry Loudermilk

Chairman

Select Subcommittee to Investigate
the Remaining Questions
Surrounding January 6, 2021

cc: The Honorable Eric Swalwell, Ranking Member, Select Subcommittee to Investigate the Remaining Questions Surrounding January 6, 2021