

**THE WHITE HOUSE**

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November 3, 2017

The Honorable Trey Gowdy  
Chairman  
The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings  
Ranking Member  
United States House of Representatives  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
2157 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

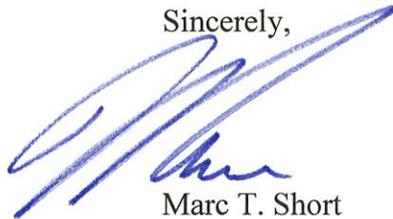
Dear Chairman Gowdy and Ranking Member Cummings:

Thank you for your letter of October 17, 2017, regarding the use of government-owned aircraft for personal travel or private non-commercial aircraft for official travel, which was a follow-up to your letter of September 26. I responded to your September 26, 2017 letter on October 10, 2017.

Under the Presidential Records Act (PRA), 44 U.S.C. § 2201, *et seq.*, each President is statutorily obligated to transfer presidential records to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) at the end of each administration.<sup>1</sup> 44 U.S.C. § 2205(2)(C) permits either House of Congress, or any Committee or Subcommittee thereof with the appropriate jurisdiction, to request records from prior presidents directly from NARA. Accordingly, we suggest you direct any requests for records of the previous administration to NARA.

Thank you for your interest in this Administration's operations and activities.

Sincerely,



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Assistant to the President and  
Director of Legislative Affairs

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<sup>1</sup> See 44 U.S.C. § 2203.