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Honorable Elijah E. Cummings
Ranking Member
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ranking Member Cummings:

This is in response to your November 16, 2017, letter to Director Wray, regarding Michael Flynn, Jr., the son of former National Security Advisor Lieutenant General Michael Flynn. Your letter requests documents in the possession, custody or control of the FBI concerning Flynn, Jr. We regret to inform you that we are unable to comply with the Committee's request for the reasons set forth below.

The FBI is the Investigative Service Provider responsible for conducting thorough and comprehensive background investigations on behalf of the President, President-Elect, and, as requested, eligible candidates for President. These persons submit requests for security clearances for any certain individuals. The FBI does not grant, deny, or otherwise adjudicate security clearances for such individuals. Any decision to release materials obtained through this process would be made in consultation with the relevant agency(ies).

As always, thank you for your continuing support of the FBI and its mission.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "G. Brower", is positioned above the typed name.

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