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Mr. Denis McDonough  
Chief of Staff  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. McDonough:

Please find enclosed a copy of the Committee's report on the Secret Service (USSS). The Committee adopted the report this morning in a unanimous vote. This report—which is the product of a year-long, bipartisan investigation—identifies vulnerabilities that must be addressed in order for the Secret Service to successfully fulfill its critical mission.

The Secret Service's mission is of primary importance to our national security. Many of the problems identified in this report have plagued the agency for a long time and need to be corrected. The security of the President and other protectees is too important for these problems to persist.

This report includes twenty-seven recommendations for the Executive Branch. The Committee requests that the White House work with the appropriate agencies to implement these recommendations and provide regular briefings on their progress.

The Committee is sending similar letters to Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson and the House and Senate Appropriations Committees.

Our report is intended to be a constructive tool for reform. We look forward to working together with you, Secretary Johnson, Director Clancy, and the Appropriations Committees to ensure that USSS is able to restore its position as the nation's preeminent law enforcement agency.



Jason Chaffetz  
Chairman

Sincerely,



Elijah E. Cummings  
Ranking Member

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cc: The Honorable Jeh C. Johnson, Secretary  
Department of Homeland Security

The Honorable Joseph Clancy, Director  
U.S. Secret Service

The Honorable Harold Rogers, Chairman  
House Committee on Appropriations

The Honorable Nita M. Lowey, Ranking Member  
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