

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20510

April 15, 2016

The Honorable Sarah R. Saldana
Assistant Secretary
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
Washington, D.C. 20536

Dear Assistant Secretary Saldana:

For nearly three months, we have requested documentation and various relevant information related to the EB-5 Program. Yet, to date, ICE has produced virtually none of the documents requested in our January 19, 2016 letter. Please provide this information as soon as possible. Should ICE continue to fail to produce these documents, we will be forced to resort to compulsory process.

Additionally, although we appreciated Special Agent in Charge Waldemar Rodriguez's willingness to participate in a voluntary transcribed interview on April 7, he was instructed repeatedly by agency and Department counsel not to answer questions regarding ICE's participation in the interagency EB-5 task force—a topic clearly and centrally identified in our January 19 and March 18 letters. The work of this task force is one of the central issues the Committees are seeking to understand. Therefore, please make Dawn Nelson, former unit chief of the Identity and Benefit Fraud Unit, available for a transcribed interview as soon as possible, but no later than April 29, 2016.

The House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee of the House of Representatives and may at “any time” investigate “any matter” as set forth in House Rule X. The Senate Committee on the Judiciary has oversight and legislative jurisdiction over the EB-5 program.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Tristan Leavitt of the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee staff at (202) 225-5074, or Katherine Nikas of the Senate Judiciary Committee staff at (202) 224-5225. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Jason Chaffetz
Chairman
House Committee on Oversight and
Government Reform



Charles E. Grassley
Chairman
Senate Committee on the Judiciary

cc: The Honorable Elijah E. Cummings, Ranking Member
House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy, Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary