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Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Dr. Daszak,

On September 14, 2023, the Committees sent you a letter requesting your testimony at a voluntary transcribed interview on November 14, 2023. On September 19, 2023, you confirmed your availability. The Committees appreciate your willingness to testify voluntarily.

In anticipation of the interview, we renew our requests for certain responsive documents and communications. This letter consolidates our previous requests regarding the origins of COVID-19 and, as a further accommodation, tables some requests, adds significant topic specificity, scopes down the time frame of our previous requests, and prioritizes the requests most important to the Committees. Notwithstanding these accommodations, the Committees reserve the right to request additional documents and communications.

Considering these significant accommodations, we expect full and timely compliance with each request. If not, the Committees will be forced to consider the use of the compulsory process.

Calendars and Phone Records

Please produce the following documents and communications as soon as possible but no later than <u>October 6, 2023</u>:

1. All calendars from November 1, 2019, through present for Dr. Peter Daszak.

The Committees request you prioritize documents sufficient to show any meetings, phone calls, or other interactions between Dr. Daszak and the federal government or any entity in China.

2. All phone records from November 1, 2019, through present for Dr. Peter Daszak.

The Committees request you prioritize documents sufficient to show any meetings, phone calls, or other interactions between Dr. Daszak and the federal government or any entity in China.

3. A list of EcoHealth employees, contractors, or otherwise affiliated individuals that visited the Wuhan Institute of Virology since January 1, 2018.

This list should include the name, title, and affiliation of the individual. Further, it should include the date the visit occurred.

Documents and Communications with Federal Entities

Please produce the following documents and communications as soon as possible but no later than <u>October 13, 2023</u>:

For requests (4)-(9), EcoHealth should search for the entities, including any iterations thereof, and individuals in Appendix I.

EcoHealth should search broadly for documents and communications regarding the origins of COVID-19 (or SARS-CoV-2, or any iteration thereof), gain of function research, enhanced potential pandemic pathogen research, dual use research of concern, and/or the public health or scientific response to the COVID-19 pandemic, including academic literature.

Specifically, regarding the origins of COVID-19, this would include but not be limited to any documents and communications referencing or regarding a conference call hosted by Dr. Anthony Fauci and Dr. Jeremy Farrar which occurred on February 1, 2020.

Specifically, regarding the literature, this would include but not be limited to any documents and communications related to the Correspondence in *The Lancet* titled, "Statement in support of the scientists, public health professionals, and medical professionals of China combatting COVID-19" and the Correspondence in *Nature Medicine* titled, "The proximal origin of SARS-CoV-2."

Further, EcoHealth should prioritize the production of responsive documents during the time frame of January 1, 2019, through present. The Committees are willing to make this accommodation to expedite production. However, the Committees reserve the right to request documents going back to January 1, 2014.

4. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc., including any of its subsidiaries, affiliated institutions, or affiliated individuals, and the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), including but not limited to the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, between January 1, 2014, and present.

This also includes but is not limited to all financial conflict of interest disclosures and disclosures of financial foreign support or foreign components pursuant to grant number R01AI110964.

- 5. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries, affiliated institutions, or affiliated individuals, and the Department of State between January 1, 2014, and present.
- 6. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries, affiliated institutions, or affiliated individuals, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation between January 1, 2014, and present.
- 7. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries, affiliated institutions, or affiliated individuals, and the Department of Energy between January 1, 2014, and present.
- 8. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries, affiliated institutions, or affiliated individuals, and the Intelligence Community, including but not limited to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the Central Intelligence Agency, between January 1, 2014, and present.
- 9. All documents and communications between or among yourself and employees or contractors of the White House, including but not limited to the Executive Office of the President and the Office of Science and Technology Policy, between January 1, 2014, and present.

The Committees are particularly interested in documents and communications regarding or resulting from a February 3, 2020, meeting hosted by the Office of Science and Technology Policy and/or National Academies that Dr. Daszak attended.

Documents and Communications with the Wuhan Institute of Virology

Please produce the following documents and communications as soon as possible but no later than <u>October 20, 2023</u>:

10. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries or affiliated individuals, and the Wuhan Institute of Virology, including any of its subsidiaries, affiliated institutions, or affiliated individuals, between January 1, 2014, and present.

Documents Related to Coronavirus Research

Please produce the following documents and communications as soon as possible but no later than **October 27, 2023:**

11. All coronavirus-based research proposals, including those submitted for private funding, that include any work to be conducted or supported by individuals or institutions in China

or Southeast Asia between January 1, 2014, and January 1, 2020, including proposals that were declined, denied, or otherwise ultimately not funded.

EcoHealth should prioritize responsive research proposals, including those submitted for private funding, that included or involved the insertion of a furin cleavage site into a coronavirus.

- 12. All proposals that implicate gain-of-function-based, Potential Pandemic Pathogens (PPP), Enhanced Potential Pandemic Pathogens(ePPP), or Dual Use Research of Concern (DURC) research issues, including those submitted for private funding, between January 1, 2018, and January 1, 2020, including proposals that were declined, denied, or otherwise ultimately not funded.
- 13. Copies of all grants, contracts, memorandums, and/or other documents executed between January 1, 2014, and present that involve the following, any iterations thereof, or affiliated individuals as parties:
 - a. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill;
 - b. New York Blood Center;
 - c. Georgia State University;
 - d. Wuhan Institute of Virology;
 - e. Wuhan Center for Disease Control;
 - f. Wuhan University;
 - g. Chinese Academy of Sciences;
 - h. People's Liberation Army; or
 - i. Academy of Military Medical Sciences.
- 14. Copies of purchase orders, invoices, material transfer agreements, shipping orders or manifests, and/or any other documents sufficient to show, what if any, genetic material was obtained or shipped between January 1, 2014, and present pursuant to any research, publicly or privately funded, involving the following, any iterations thereof, or affiliated individuals:
 - a. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill;
 - b. New York Blood Center;
 - c. Georgia State University;
 - d. Wuhan Institute of Virology;
 - e. Wuhan Center for Disease Control;
 - f. Wuhan University;
 - g. Chinese Academy of Sciences;
 - h. People's Liberation Army; or
 - i. Academy of Military Medical Sciences.

Documents and Communications with Individuals

Please produce the following documents and communications as soon as possible but no later than **November 3, 2023:**

- 15. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries or affiliated individuals and any of the individuals listed in Appendix I plus the individuals listed below regarding or referencing the Correspondence in *The Lancet* titled, "Statement in support of the scientists, public health professionals, and medical professionals of China combatting COVID-19" and the Correspondence in *Nature Medicine* titled, "The proximal origin of SARS-CoV-2."
 - a. Dr. Charles Calisher;
 - b. Dr. Dennis Carroll;
 - c. Dr. Rita Colwell;
 - d. Dr. Ronald Corley;
 - e. Dr. Luis Enjuanes;
 - f. Dr. Hume Field;
 - g. Dr. Josie Golding;
 - h. Dr. Alexander Gorbalenya;
 - i. Dr. Bart Haagmans;
 - j. Dr. James Hughes;
 - k. Dr. William Karesh;
 - 1. Dr. Gerald Keusch;
 - m. Dr. Sai Kit Lam;
 - n. Dr. Juan Lubroth;
 - o. Dr. John Mackenzie;
 - p. Dr. Larry Madoff;
 - q. Dr. Joanna Mazet;
 - r. Dr. Peter Palese;
 - s. Dr. Stanley Perlman;
 - t. Dr. Leo Poon;
 - u. Dr. Bernard Roizman;
 - v. Dr. Linda Saif:
 - w. Dr. Kanta Subbarao; and
 - x. Dr. Mike Turner.
- 16. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries or affiliated individuals and any of the individuals listed in Appendix I regarding or referencing the origins of COVID-19.

EcoHealth should broadly interpret the term "origins of COVID-19."

Documents and Communications Regarding DEFUSE

Please produce the following documents and communications as soon as possible but no later than **November 10, 2023:**

17. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries or affiliated individuals and any employee or contractor

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of the Defense Advanced Research Project agency regarding the DEFUSE proposal for the project entitled PREEMPT.

- 18. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries or affiliated individuals and any employee or contractor of the Department of Health and Human Services, including but not limited to the National Institutes of Health and the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, regarding the DEFUSE proposal for the project entitled PREEMPT.
- 19. All documents and communications between or among EcoHealth Alliance, Inc, including any of its subsidiaries or affiliated individuals and the following entities, including affiliated individuals, regarding the DEFUSE proposal for the project entitled PREEMPT.
 - a. Duke-National University Singapore Medical School;
 - b. National Wildlife Center, United States Geological Survey;
 - c. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill; and
 - d. Wuhan Institute of Virology.

The Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic is authorized to investigate "the origins of the Coronavirus pandemic, including but not limited to the Federal Government's funding of gain-of function research" and "executive branch policies, deliberations, decisions, activities, and internal and external communications related to the coronavirus pandemic" under H. Res. 5. The Committee on Oversight and Accountability is authorized to investigate "any matter" at "any time" pursuant to House Rule X. The Committee on Energy and Commerce is the authorizing committee with jurisdiction and oversight responsibilities for public health service agencies, including the NIH and the entities it funds, as well as federal biomedical research and development.

Further, House Rule XI clause 2(m)(1)(B) grants Committees of the House of Representatives with the authority "to require, by subpoena or otherwise, the attendance and testimony of such witnesses and the production of such books, records, correspondence, memoranda, papers, and documents as it considers necessary."

Sincerely,

Brad Wenstrup, D.P.M.

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cc: The Honorable Raul Ruiz, M.D., Ranking Member Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Pandemic

The Honorable Jamie Raskin, Ranking Member Committee on Oversight and Accountability

The Honorable Frank Pallone, Jr. Ranking Member Committee on Energy and Commerce

The Honorable Kathy Castor, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations

The Honorable Anna Eshoo, Ranking Member, Subcommittee on Health

Appendix I

1. Entities

- a. EcoHealth Alliance, Inc.;
- b. University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill;
- c. New York Blood Center;
- d. Georgia State University;
- e. Wuhan Institute of Virology;
- f. Wuhan Center for Disease Control;
- g. Wuhan University;
- h. Chinese Academy of Sciences;
- i. People's Liberation Army; and
- j. Academy of Military Medical Sciences;

2. Individuals

- a. Dr. Francis Collins;
- b. Dr. Anthony Fauci;
- c. Dr. Lawrence Tabak;
- d. Dr. Hugh Auchincloss;
- e. Mr. Greg Folkers;
- f. Dr. Cliff Lane;
- g. Dr. Ping Chen;
- h. Dr. Gray Handley;
- i. Dr. Erik Stemmy;
- j. Dr. Michael Lauer;
- k. Dr. Emily Erbelding;
- 1. Dr. David Morens.
- m. Dr. Jeremy Farrar;
- n. Dr. Kristian Andersen;
- o. Dr. Robert Garry;
- p. Dr. W. Ian Lipkin;
- q. Dr. Edward Holmes;
- r. Dr. Michael Farzan;
- s. Dr. Christian Drosten;
- t. Dr. Ron Fouchier;
- u. Dr. Marion Koopmans;
- v. Dr. Ralph Baric;
- w. Dr. Peter Daszak;
- x. Dr. James LeDuc;
- y. Dr. Victor Dzau;
- z. Dr. Shi Zhengli;
- aa. Dr. Ben Hu;
- bb. Dr. Yu Ping;
- cc. Dr. Lanving Du;
- dd. Dr. Yan Zhu; and
- ee. Dr. Zhou Yusen.