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August 14, 2024

The Honorable Steven Dettelbach Director Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives 99 New York Ave., NE Washington, DC 20226

Dear Director Dettelbach:

The Committee on Oversight and Accountability continues to investigate collaboration between the Biden Administration and anti-Second Amendment plaintiffs.¹ The conduit of this collusion has been the White House Office of Gun Violence Prevention, which was established in September 2023, and "is overseen by Vice President Harris." In the course of this investigation, the Committee has learned that you routinely use text messaging and/or encrypted messaging apps associated with two specific phone numbers to communicate with officials at the White House Office for Gun Violence Prevention.

To further the Committee's investigation, the Committee requests the following records associated with phone numbers () and () and () as well as any other devices you have access to and routinely use, covering the time period January 20, 2021, to the present, as soon as possible but no later than August 28, 2024:

- All text, SMS, iMessage, or any other messaging communications to include messages transmitted via encrypted communication apps including but not limited to Signal or WhatsApp between the above referenced numbers and any and all cellular devices associated with White House Office for Gun Violence Prevention Deputy Director Rob Wilcox, including but not limited to (and) and/or any other officials within that office, and
- 2. A printout of the log of all telephone calls between the above referenced numbers and any cellular device associated with White House Office for Gun Violence Prevention Deputy

¹ See Letter from James Comer, Chairman, Committee on Oversight & Accountability to Steven Dettelbach, Director, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (June 14, 2024).

² Office of Gun Violence Prevention, The White House, available at https://www.whitehouse.gov/ogvp/ (last accessed July 25, 2024).

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Director Rob Wilcox, including but not limited to (and) and/or any other officials within that office.

If you have any questions, contact the Committee on Oversight and Accountability Majority Staff at 202-225-5074. Attached are instructions for producing the documents and information for the Committee.

The Committee on Oversight and Accountability is the principal oversight committee of the U.S. House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate, "any matter" at "any time" under House Rule X. Additionally, the Committee has primary legislative jurisdiction over the National Archives and public information and records under House Rule X, to include compliance with federal recordkeeping requirements.³ Thank you for your attention on this important matter.

Sincerely,

James Comer

Chairman

Committee on Oversight and Accountability

Cc: The Honorable Jamie B. Raskin, Ranking Member Committee on Oversight and Accountability

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³ See, e.g., 44 U.S.C. §§ 3106, 3301.