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August 31, 2025

The Honorable Scott Bessent
Secretary
U.S. Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Ave. N.W.
Washington, DC 20220

Dear Secretary Bessent:

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is reviewing the possible mismanagement of the federal government's investigation of Mr. Jeffrey Epstein and Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell, the circumstances and subsequent investigations of Mr. Epstein's death, the operation of sex-trafficking rings and ways for the federal government to effectively combat them, and potential violations of ethics rules related to elected officials. The Committee requests that the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury) produce certain Suspicious Activity Reports (SARs) relevant to the Committee's investigation.

As Secretary, you are authorized to produce SARs to the Committee in pursuit of its investigation.¹ Specifically, it is essential that Treasury produce to the Committee certain SARs to assist the Committee's oversight of the federal government's enforcement of sex trafficking laws generally and specifically its handling of the investigation and prosecution of Mr. Jeffrey Epstein and Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell. This oversight will inform legislative solutions to improve federal efforts to combat sex trafficking and reform the use of non-prosecution agreements and/or plea agreements in sex crime investigations.

To assist the Committee's investigation of this matter, I therefore request that the Department of Treasury produce to the Committee as soon as possible, but no later than September 15, 2025, the following records:

1. All SARs and accompanying material filed in reference to or relating to Mr. Jeffrey Epstein and/or Ghislaine Maxwell.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee in the U.S. House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate "any

¹ 31 C.F.R. § 1010.950(c) ("The Secretary may make any information set forth in any report received pursuant to this chapter available to the Congress, or any committee or subcommittee thereof, upon a written request stating the particular information desired, the criminal, tax or regulatory purpose for which the information is sought, and the official need for the information.").

The Honorable Scott Bessent

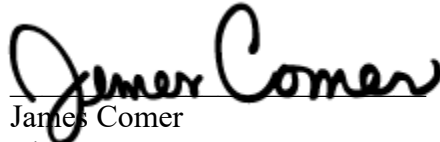
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matter” at “any time” under House Rule X.² To arrange for delivery of the responsive records or to ask any follow-up questions, please contact Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Majority staff at (202) 225-5074.

Thank you for your attention to this important request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Comer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "C".

James Comer

Chairman

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

cc: The Honorable Robert Garcia, Ranking Member
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

² Rule X, cl. 4(c)(2), Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, 119th Cong. (Jan. 16, 2025).