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The Honorable Pam Bondi  
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Dear Attorney General Bondi:

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is examining the sources of funding for efforts to create social unrest and obstruct federal law enforcement operations, including organized efforts to impede actions by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) which are highlighted in a recent Department of State report that links far-left nonprofits to Chinese influence operations.<sup>1</sup> In particular, the Committee seeks to understand Department of Justice (DOJ) efforts to track or assess possible connections among organized efforts to obstruct law enforcement with foreign influences and criminal activities, including fraud. Accordingly, the Committee requests a briefing to provide insight into these issues.

Recent Congressional oversight activity has documented extensive fraud in Minnesota involving federal nutrition programs and social services programs, with estimated losses totaling several billions of dollars over multiple years.<sup>2</sup> The scale and duration of these schemes have raised concerns regarding whether fraud proceeds are being laundered or otherwise routed through nonprofit or organizational entities in ways that evade oversight. As much of this fraud has disproportionately involved Minnesota's immigrant community, targeted enforcement operations by ICE play a key role in stopping this systemic corruption.

In response to federal response and enforcement actions, Minnesota has experienced repeated episodes of civil unrest, including incidents of property damage, assaults on law enforcement, and disruptions to public institutions. While peaceful protest is a protected feature of American society, recurring unrest places measurable strain on local communities and public safety resources. The Committee believes it is imperative to assess whether foreign-sourced funding and/or proceeds of financial crimes, particularly those involving federal funds, may be contributing to, or otherwise exacerbating unrest and efforts to obstruct law enforcement.

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<sup>1</sup> Victoria Nava, *State Department identifies Code Pink and other far-left groups as vectors of Chinese influence operations*, NEW YORK POST (Feb. 10, 2026).

<sup>2</sup> *Oversight of Fraud and Misuse of Federal Funds in Minnesota: Part 1: Hearing Before H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform*, 119<sup>th</sup> Cong. 2.

Former Soviet defector Yuri Bezmenov articulated one such framework, describing how systemic corruption and degradation of institutions can precede broader social destabilization.<sup>3</sup> The Committee seeks to understand how the Justice Department in monitoring both widespread fraud and social unrest for signs of interference by foreign actors or obstruction of justice by criminals.

Accordingly, the Committee seeks a briefing to be provided by March 9, 2026, addressing the following topics:

1. The extent to which DOJ has identified or been made aware of patterns in major fraud cases suggesting coordinated or systemic activity beyond isolated criminal enterprises;
2. The extent to which DOJ is assessing the routing of fraud schemes through nonprofit, community-based, or organizational entities; and,
3. Whether DOJ is evaluating whether large-scale financial crimes involving federal funds may contribute to broader public safety or civil order challenges in certain jurisdictions.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform 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. To schedule the briefing or to ask any related follow-up questions, please contact the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Majority staff at (202) 225-5074. Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



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<sup>3</sup> See “Unintended Consequences” available at <https://unintendedconsequenc.es/bezmenovs-steps/> (accessed Feb. 4, 2026).



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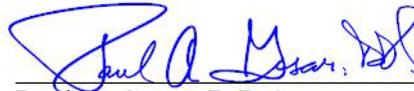
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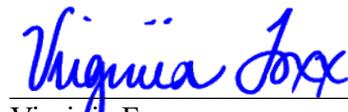
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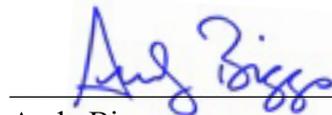
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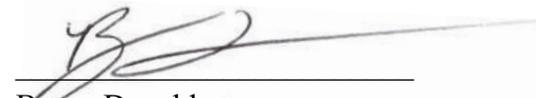
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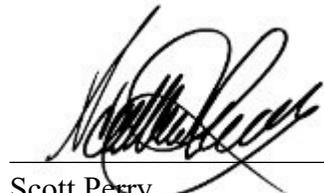
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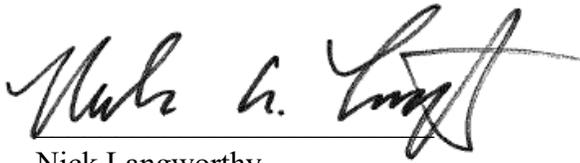


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