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Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol

August 25, 2021

The Honorable Avril Haines
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Director Haines:

The Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol is examining the facts, circumstances, and causes of the attack and relating to the peaceful transfer of power, in order to identify and evaluate lessons learned and to recommend corrective laws, policies, procedures, rules, or regulations.

Pursuant to the purposes and functions set forth in House Resolution 503, the Select Committee requests that you produce the documents described in the attached schedule in your custody, control, or possession. Please produce this information to the Select Committee no later than September 9, 2021. Please also make staff available expeditiously to meet with Select Committee staff to discuss document production priorities. An attachment to this letter provides additional instructions for responding to the Select Committee's request.

If you have questions, please contact Select Committee investigative staff at 202-225-7800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bennie G. Thompson".

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman

DOCUMENT SCHEDULE

Pending Requests

The Select Committee reiterates the requests from multiple committees of the House of Representatives made in the January 16, 2021,¹ request for documents that refer or relate to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021, and the March 25, 2021,² correspondence from multiple House committees, which the Select Committee subsequently joined, for documents and communications received, prepared, or sent between December 1, 2020, and January 20, 2021, relating to the counting of the electoral college vote on January 6, 2021, the potential for demonstrations, violence, or attacks in the National Capital Region on or around January 6, 2021, and the events or aftermath of January 6, 2021.

This request for a complete response to the January 16 and March 25 letters includes but is not limited to all tips, complaints, source information, or intelligence that was, or should have been identified, processed, and understood, in retrospect, to be threat indicator information pertaining to the attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021.

Additional Requests

To the extent not included in the scope of the pending requests described above, the Select Committee further requests:

1. All documents and communications between November 3, 2020, and January 20, 2021, relating to potential or actual changes in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) senior personnel that include Presidential appointees, temporary, and acting officials.
2. All documents and communications relating to instructions to stop or delay the preparation for the transition of administrations.
3. All documents and communications received from or shared with other Federal, State, local, or Tribal departments, agencies or their components, or elements of the U.S. Intelligence Community, and containing information or intelligence—whether raw, finished, or in some other form—and relating to events that might occur, or that ultimately did occur, on January 6, 2021.

¹ Letter from Chairman Adam B. Schiff, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, et al., to Intelligence Community Agencies (Jan. 16, 2021) (online at https://intelligence.house.gov/uploadedfiles/20210116_hpsci_chs_hjc_cor_letter_to_fbi_dhs_nctc_odni_on_capitol_insurrection.pdf).

² Letter from Chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney, House Committee on Oversight and Reform, et al., to Avril Haines, Director of National Intelligence, Office of the Director of National Intelligence (March 25, 2021) (online at <https://oversight.house.gov/sites/democrats.oversight.house.gov/files/2021-03-25.House%20Committees%20to%20Agencies%20re%20Jan%206%20Attack.pdf>).

4. All documents and communications internally expressing concerns about the Government's ability to handle events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
5. All briefing materials and notes prepared for or presented to ODNI officials that refer or relate to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
6. Any documents and communications relating to meetings or conversations with ODNI officials that refer or relate to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
7. All documents and communications relating to actual or attempted conversations between any ODNI official and any White House official on January 5–6, 2021, relating to the January 5th rally, the January 6th rally, and/or the January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol.
8. All documents and communications received from, or sharing information or intelligence with, social media companies, platforms, or websites relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
9. All documents and communications pertaining to agency review, collection, or dissemination of social media evidence in the 6 months prior to January 6, 2021, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
10. All documents and communications pertaining to rules, regulations, procedures, or policies concerning the policies and/or protocols of ODNI to receive briefings from social media platforms, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021, and any modifications to those rules, regulations, procedures, or policies made after January 6.
11. All documents and communications pertaining to rules, regulations, procedures, or policies concerning the policies and/or protocols of ODNI to monitor publicly available social media platforms, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021, and any modifications to those rules, regulations, procedures, or policies made after January 6.
12. All documents and communications pertaining to rules, regulations, procedures, or policies concerning the authority of ODNI to monitor or report closed or non-public social media platforms, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021, and any modifications to those rules, regulations, procedures, or policies made after January 6.
13. All documents and communications pertaining to rules, regulations, procedures, or policies that restrict monitoring or reporting related to First Amendment protected activities.

14. All documents and communications pertaining to rules, regulations, procedures, policies or protocols of ODNI to receive briefings from social media platforms, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021, and any modifications to those rules, regulations, procedures, polices, or protocols made after January 6.
15. To the extent not included in the scope of items 1–14 above, all documents and communications that refer or relate to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.
16. Copies of all documents and communications already produced to other investigatory bodies, including, but not limited to, the Senate, House, Department of Justice, Government Accountability Office, and any offices of inspectors general, or to private entities or in response to FOIA requests, relating to events that could or ultimately did transpire on January 6, 2021.