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## One Hundred Seventeenth Congress

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

November 9, 2021

VIA U.S. MAIL

Mr. Benjamin Williamson



Dear Mr. Williamson:

Pursuant to the authorities set forth in House Resolution 503 and the rules of the House of Representatives, the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (“Select Committee”) hereby transmits a subpoena that compels you to produce the documents set forth in the accompanying schedule by November 23, 2021, and to appear for a deposition on December 2, 2021.

The Select Committee is investigating the facts, circumstances, and causes of the January 6th attack and issues relating to the peaceful transfer of power, in order to identify and evaluate lessons learned and to recommend to the House and its relevant committees corrective laws, policies, procedures, rules, or regulations.

The Select Committee’s investigation and public accounts have revealed credible evidence of your involvement in the events within the scope of the Select Committee’s inquiry. Given your service as Deputy Assistant to the President and Senior Advisor to Chief of Staff Mark Meadows, you are in a position to potentially inform the Select Committee’s examination of Mr. Meadows’ efforts to communicate with others relevant to the Select Committee’s investigation, including officials in Georgia, about allegations of fraud that had already been dismissed by state and federal courts,<sup>1</sup> organizers of the January 6 events including Amy Kremer,<sup>2</sup> high-level officials at the Department of Justice about federal investigations into purported voter fraud,<sup>3</sup> and U.S. Government officials during attack of the U.S. Capitol.<sup>4</sup> In addition, reports indicate that former White House Communications Director Alyssa Farah

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<sup>1</sup> Linda So, *Trump’s Chief of Staff Could Face Scrutiny in Georgia Criminal Probe*, REUTERS (March 19, 2021) <https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-trump-georgia-meadows-insight-idUSKBN2BB0XX>; Documents on file with the Select Committee.

<sup>2</sup> Joshua Kaplan & Joaquin Sapien, *New Details Suggest Senior Trump Aides Knew Jan. 6 Rally Could Get Chaotic*, PROPUBLICA (June 25, 2021) <https://www.propublica.org/article/new-details-suggest-senior-trump-aides-knew-jan-6-rally-could-get-chaotic>.

<sup>3</sup> Documents on file with the Select Committee.

<sup>4</sup> Adam Ciralsky, *“The President Threw Us Under the Bus”: Embedding with Pentagon Leadership in Trump’s Chaotic Last Week*, VANITY FAIR (January 22, 2021) <https://www.vanityfair.com/news/2021/01/embedding-with-pentagon-leadership-in-trumps-chaotic-last-week>.

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contacted Mr. Meadows and you during the attack on the U.S. Capitol and urged you, without success, to have former President Trump issue a statement addressing the attack and condemning the violence.<sup>5</sup>

Accordingly, the Select Committee seeks documents and a deposition regarding these and other matters that are within the scope of the Select Committee's inquiry. A copy of the rules governing Select Committee depositions, and document production definitions and instructions are attached. Please contact staff for the Select Committee at 202-225-7800 to arrange for the production of documents.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bennie G. Thompson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized initial "B".

Bennie G. Thompson  
Chairman

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<sup>5</sup> Ryan Goodman and Juilee Shivalkar, *Mark Meadows Timeline: The Chief of Staff and Schemes to Overturn 2020 Election* (Aug. 5, 2021, updated Aug. 8, 2021) <https://www.justsecurity.org/77681/mark-meadows-timeline-the-chief-of-staff-and-schemes-to-overturn-2020-election/>.