**Subject:** 575-21 Bravo - Notice of Withdrawal of Request for Ruling

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#### **EXTERNAL SENDER**

October 26, 2021

Ms. Olivia Bravo American Oversight 1030 15th Street NW, Suite B255 Washington, DC 20005 records@americanoversight.org VIA EMAIL ONLY

RE: OOG PIR # 575-21

Dear Ms. Bravo:

This email is in response to your public information request to the Office of the Governor ("OOG"), received by the OOG on October 5, 2021. A copy of your request is attached to this email.

The OOG previously requested a ruling pursuant to section 552.301(b) of the Government Code on October 19, 2021. The OOG withdrew the request for an Open Records Letter Ruling because it will release the responsive information to you. The responsive information is attached.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 512-475-2256 or <u>publicrecords@gov.texas.gov</u>.

Thank you,

Kieran Hillis Public Information Coordinator Assistant General Counsel Office of Governor Greg Abbott





### GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

November 19, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20500

SUBJECT: Texas Request for Authority and Funding under 32 U.S.C.A. § 502(f) (2) (A)

Dear Mr. President:

I respectfully renew my request for the continuation of authority and 100 percent funding under 502(f) (2) (A) of Title 32, U.S. Code, not to exceed 2,000 personnel, through April 30, 2021. This extension is critical to ensuring the safety and health of our citizens as Texas aggressively responds to a surge in COVID-19 cases.

Despite our efforts to date, requests for assistance for Texas National Guard (TXNG) support by local, state, and federal entities continue to increase and cases are once again on the rise. The TXNG continues to support their state partners in the fight against this virus and the role of the Guard will become even more critical in the coming months.

Your approval of this extension will allow the TXNG to continue providing COVID-19 testing capacity, disinfection of senior care facilities, personal protective equipment distribution, assistance to food bank operations and logistics distribution and support. Additionally, I intend to use the TXNG to assist in vaccine distribution to the citizens of Texas.

I greatly appreciate your consideration of this request, your support of the state of Texas, and your continued leadership during these challenging times.

Sincerely,

Greg Abbott Governor

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### GOVERNOR GREG ABBOTT

December 11, 2020

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20500

The Honorable Michael R. Pence Vice President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Vice President:

Thank you for your administration's consideration of San Antonio, Texas, as one of six locations for the headquarters of U.S. Space Command. I am immensely proud of the City of San Antonio and wholeheartedly endorse its selection as the location of the future command.

I also want to thank you for your vision and dedicated efforts to advance the cause for continued American leadership in space by signing into law the creation of the U.S. Space Force and the new national space policy that maps out the priorities for the nation's space initiatives: expanding American commercial space activities, increasing international cooperation, advancing science and exploration, and prioritizing national security and our country's leadership in space.

As a native Texan, I take great pride that the tradition of military service and our dedication to supporting our service members run deep in the Lone Star State. In addition to active duty personnel, Texas is home to 1.6 million veterans and their families, including my own brother.

No state is more supportive of military missions or more welcoming of our service members and their families than Texas, and we have the resources, experience, and human capital necessary to support a mission as critical to our nation's future as U.S. Space Command. Known as "Military City, USA," San Antonio has been home to U.S. military operations for 175 years and hosts one of the largest active and retired military populations in the United States, making it an obvious choice for U.S. Space Command.

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Texas' legacy of success in human space flight operations; our decades-long support of the defense, aerospace, and aviation industries; and Texans' entrepreneurial and innovative spirit all contributed to the Lone Star State's recent selection as the home of the Army Futures Command, and these same characteristics make the state an ideal location for the new U.S. Space Command.

As governor of this great state, I am also proud of our unwavering support for the 15 major military installations, as well as the headquarters of the Army Futures Command, that are so essential to our nation's defense.

Texas has also made great strides in support of those who have answered the call of duty. Though we can never fully repay our debt to those who risk all to defend our freedoms, Texans are committed to serving those who serve — as I know you are — and Texans remain steadfast in giving it our all, as our service members have done, in return. Texas has demonstrated this commitment through investing in transitional skills training, accelerated degree programs, and employment placement programs for veterans and transitioning service members and their families, and I have been proud to sign into law my proposals supporting military spouse licensure reciprocity.

You will not find a better location for the headquarters of U.S. Space Command than San Antonio, a city that knows and appreciates the valuable partnership between the Lone Star State and our nation's mighty military. Please rest assured that Texas will continue to do everything it can to support our service members, veterans, and their families.

Thank you again for your administration's consideration of San Antonio as the headquarters of U.S. Space Command, and for your service to our country.

Sincerely,

Greg Abbott Governor

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# Dear Governor Abbott,

Despite my big win in Texas, I hear Texans want an election audit! You know your fellow Texans have big questions about the November 2020 Election. Bills to audit elections in your great state's House and Senate were considered during Texas' Second Special Session. Instead, the legislature passed a watered-down amendment that doesn't even apply to the 2020 Presidential Election. This short amendment doesn't answer the questions Texans have about the last election. Texans demand a real audit to completely address their concerns.

We need HB 16, which was just filed in the Third Special Session. This legislation specifically addresses the 2020 Presidential Election, and enables audits for future elections. The bill creates a process for candidates and party chairs to initiate an audit, and uses the same language as SB 97, which already passed the Texas State Senate, but did not have enough time to make it through the House during the Second Special Session.

Texas needs you to act now. Your Third Special Session is the perfect, and maybe last, opportunity to pass this audit bill. Time is running out. Paper ballots in your state are only kept for 22 months after the election. Your citizens don't trust the election system, and they want your leadership on this issue, which is the number one thing they care about. It is their most important issue—one that will affect 2022 and 2024.

Governor Abbott, we need a "Forensic Audit of the 2020 Election" added to the call. We're quickly running out of time and it must be done this week. Texans know voting fraud occurred in some of their counties. Let's get to the bottom of the 2020 Presidential Election Scam!

Donald J. Trump



## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR - WEB MAIL CORRESPONDENCE

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### Message:

I respectfully request Governor Abbott to convene a special session of the Texas legislature as soon as possible to ensure that Senate Bill 7 is voted on and passed.

Senate Bill 7 which contains provisions that are hugely popular, like increasing poll watcher access, is election integrity legislation that Texas needs to secure our elections and protect my sacred right to vote.

Thank you for taking the time to read my message and thank you, Governor Abbott, for standing up to preserve election integrity in Texas.

