

THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

January 25, 2024

The Honorable Barry Loudermilk Chairman Subcommittee on Oversight Committee on House Administration United States House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Loudermilk:

This letter responds to your January 18, 2024, letter to me concerning the transcripts of interviews of four witnesses who testified before the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol ("Select Committee"). These individuals worked at the White House on January 6, 2021, during the Trump Administration, serving in non-partisan roles, including in positions with national security responsibilities.

As I stated in prior letters to you, the witnesses testified voluntarily and in reliance on the Select Committee's agreement that their names, titles, past and present affiliations, and operational details would not be publicly disclosed. During the interviews, the witnesses described their responsibilities, including with respect to national security, and described security protocols in and around the White House. Pursuant to the commitment made by the Select Committee, Chairman Thompson and Vice Chair Cheney sent the transcripts to the White House, along with a letter confirming the Select Committee's goal to "protect the identity" of these individuals and "honor [the Select Committee's] commitment to best provide for continuing confidentiality of operational details and private information." The bipartisan letter from the Select Committee asked the White House to review the transcripts, address the need for limitations on disclosure of sensitive information, and provide the transcripts to the National Archives and Records Administration ("NARA") in a manner that "will become part of the historical record."

Over four months ago, on September 6, 2023, we provided copies of the transcripts to you with appropriate redactions to protect sensitive operational and personal information, consistent with the White House's agreement with the Select Committee. Your most recent letter requested the transcripts in an unredacted form. We will make the unredacted transcripts available to you for review *in camera*, provided that you agree in writing to abide by the commitments made on a bipartisan basis by the Select Committee—to maintain the anonymity of the four witnesses consistent with the conditions under which the witnesses agreed to appear before the Select Committee, and to prevent the disclosure of "operational details and private information."

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the White House Counsel's Office.

Respectfully,

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cc: The Honorable Norma Torres, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Oversight Committee on House Administration