From: McKay, Shir ey A (OLA)

Subject:RE: Mai ReportTo:Ante , Kira M. (OLA)Cc:Cress, Brian (OLA)

**Sent:** December 7, 2020 11:48 AM (UTC-05:00)

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### Good morning Kira

See attached Republicans/Democrats mail report for each Member listed w/separate Closed/Open OLA External reports from 1/1/2017 present.

Pls note; no open records were found for Orrin Hatch, Jeff Flake, Chris Coons, Richard Blumenthal, Corey Booker or Al Franken.

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(b) (6)

From: Antell, Kira M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, December 4, 2020 1:05 PM

To: McKay, Shirley A (OLA) < (b) (6)

Cc: Cress, Brian (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: Mail Report

Hi Shirley,

Can you please run two reports for me of any mail sent by the following members from January 2017 to today? Please run one report for Republicans and one report for Democrats. I think it is best if it is organized by member but if it has to be organized by date, that is okay. I'll need no later than Monday. Is that possible?

### **REPUBLICANS**

- Chuck Grassley
- Orrin Hatch
- Lindsey Graham
- John Cornyn
- Mike Lee

- Ted Cruz
- Ben Sasse
- Jeff Flake
- Mike Crapo
- Thom Tillis
- John Kennedy
- Josh Hawley
- Thom Tillis
- Joni Ernst
- Marsha Blackburn

### **DEMOCRATS**

- Dianne Feinstein
- Patrick Leahy
- Dick Durbin
- Sheldon Whitehouse
- Amy Klobuchar
- Chris Coons
- Richard Blumenthal
- Mazie Hirono
- Cory Booker
- Kamala Harris
- Al Franken

Thanks, Kira

Kira Antell
Office of Legislative Affairs
Department of Justice
o:(b)(6)
c:(b)(6)

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Similarly, DOJ has required T&R Productions, LLC, Xinhua News Agency and China Global Television Network to register under FARA. The Comte is requesting answers to the enclosed questions NLT 07/02/2019. Ltr also signed by 7 other MCs. See WF 4044916 and related corres in ECMS.
The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
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4283832
Congressional Priority
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OLA acknowledgment ltr signed.; Signed.
REUSS Alexis; HANKEY Mary Blanche; RUBENS William; LASSETER David
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6/26/2019; 10/3/2019
Mary Blanche Hankey; Stephen E. Boyd
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UDF-SUBJECT	(Rec'd from OLA via email) Expressing appreciation regarding enforcement of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) on Qatari-owned media company Al Jazeera. Stating that in order to ensure this law is robustly enforced, requesting that DOJ require Al Jazeera, the media network owned and funded by the state of Qatar, to register under FARA for the undermentioned reasons. Additionally requesting answers to the attached questions. Ltr also signed by 9 other MC's. See WF 4287106 and other related corres in ES.
Contact	The Honorable Lee M. Zeldin
UDF-DOCUMENT DATE	8/7/2020
Service ID	4440155
UDF-MAIL TYPE	Congressional Priority
Status	Closed
UDF-ADDRESSED TO	AG
UDF-ACTION TO	NSD
UDF-ACTION (signaction)	Signed acknowledgement letter.; For signature.; Signed response letter.
UDF-ASSIGNEE	NORGREN-MARKLEY; HANKEY Mary Blanche; BOYD Stephen
UDF-DATE CLEARED	; 10/8/2020
UDF-DATE SIGNED	9/18/2020; 10/28/2020
UDF-SIGNER	Mary Blanche Hankey; Stephen E. Boyd; Stephen E. Boyd
Service Type	OLA External

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UDF-DOCUMENT DATE	6/18/2019
Service ID	4283832
UDF-MAIL TYPE	Congressional Priority
Status	Closed
UDF-ADDRESSED TO	AG
UDF-ACTION TO	NSD
UDF-ACTION (signaction)	OLA acknowledgment ltr signed.; Signed.
UDF-ASSIGNEE	REUSS Alexis; HANKEY Mary Blanche; RUBENS William; LASSETER David
UDF-DATE CLEARED	6/26/2019; 6/26/2019; 9/30/2019
UDF-DATE SIGNED	6/26/2019; 10/3/2019
UDF-SIGNER	Mary Blanche Hankey; Stephen E. Boyd
Service Type	OLA External

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From: Prasanna, Sandeep A. (OLA)

Subject: FW: Quick question

**To:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Payton, Rayshon (OLA) **Sent:** January 27, 2021 12:11 PM (UTC-05:00)

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Please see attached for the IQ reports. I haven't taken a close look yet, but hopefully this is more complete.

### Sandeep A. Prasanna (he/him/his)

Attorney Advisor Office of Legislative Affairs Department of Justice

c:(b) (6)

From: McKay, Shirley A (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Sent: Wednesday, January 27, 2021 11:41 AM

To: Prasanna, Sandeep A. (OLA) < (b) (6) >

**Cc:** Cress, Brian (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Williams, Kim (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: FW: Quick question

Importance: High

### Hi Sandeep

As requested; attached are open/closed mail reports for each SJC Member; search results from 1/1/2019 - 1/27/2021 for Congressional Priority-policy issues. Pls let me know if you need any add'l assistance. Thanks.

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Contact	The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
UDF-DOCUMENT DATE	6/18/2019
Service ID	4278925
UDF-MAIL TYPE	Congressional Priority
Status	Closed
UDF-ADDRESSED TO	AG
UDF-ACTION TO	National Security Division
Service Type	ES Over the Counter

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UDF-SUBJECT	(Rec'd from OLA via email) Expressing appreciation regarding enforcement of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA) on Qatari-owned media company Al Jazeera. Stating that in order to ensure this law is robustly enforced, requesting that DOJ require Al Jazeera, the media network owned and funded by the state of Qatar, to register under FARA for the undermentioned reasons. Additionally requesting answers to the attached questions. Ltr also signed by 9 other MC's. See WF 4287106 and other related corres in ES.
Contact	The Honorable Lee M. Zeldin
UDF-DOCUMENT DATE	8/7/2020
Service ID	4435929
UDF-MAIL TYPE	Congressional Priority
Status	Closed
UDF-ADDRESSED TO	AG
UDF-ACTION TO	Office of Legislative Affairs
Service Type	ES Over the Counter

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From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

Subject: FW: TPs for Approps Hearing

To: Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG)

Sent: Apri 22, 2021 6:40 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: (Revised) CYBERCRIME AND CYBERSECURITY.docx, CFIUS.docx, ELECTION SECURITY AND

FOREIGN INFLUENCE ON U.S. ELECTIONS.docx

And some clarification from NSD and FBI I'll take care of getting the documents in the one drive.

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, April 22, 2021 6:35 PM

To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Subject: RE: TPs for Approps Hearing

> Thorley, Charles A. (OLA) <(b) (6)

### Helaine

Given the unfortunate rolling TPs from the Divisions, it has created a bit of confusion. I tried to remedy that below with my comments in yellow. Please let me know if you have any questions (or if you would like me to send you an email with a <u>clean outline and all the TPs re-attached</u>). I also would be glad to speak to you on the phone, if that would be helpful. My number is (b) (6)

Thank you,

### Joanne

### (b) (6)

From: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, April 22, 2021 3:57 PM

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

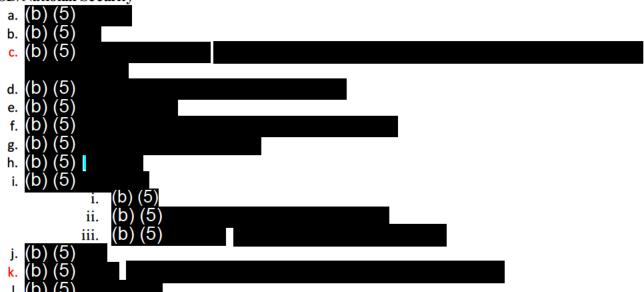
Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6)

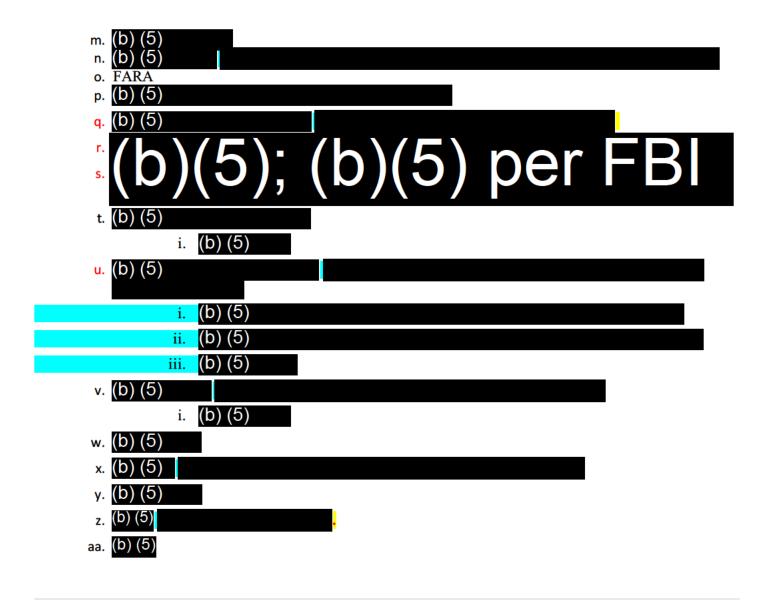
>; Thorley, Charles A. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: RE: TPs for Approps Hearing

Below is the outline I had that I thought we were working from. Highlighted in blue are papers I don't have – not to mention those they wrote that weren't on the outline we sent. Can you confirm that (b) (5)

### 1. NSD/National Security





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From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)
Sent: Thursday, April 22, 2021 8:51 AM
To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) <(b) (6)
Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) (6)
                                                     >; Thorley, Charles A. (OLA) <(b) (6)
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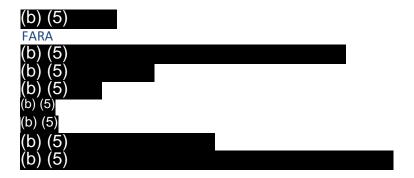
Attached are the third set of TPs. Two TPs are remaining. Those will be sent today:

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Attached are TPs for:
(b) (5)
Remaining TPs to be sent:
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From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

Sent: Wednesday, April 21, 2021 5:26 PM

To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA)  $\triangleleft$  (b) (6) **Cc:** Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) **(b) (6)** >; Thorley, Charles A. (OLA) <(b) (6) Subject: RE: TPs for Approps Hearing Attached are the second set of TPs. A third and final set and will be sent today. Attached are TPS for: Remaining TPs to be sent today: (Certain TP topics were removed from list based on component recommendation: (b) (5) From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) Sent: Tuesday, April 20, 2021 10:43 PM To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6) Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) <(b) (6) >; Thorley, Charles A. (OLA) <(b) (6) Subject: TPs for Approps Hearing Attached are TPs for Approps hearing. As noted earlier, we will send the remainder tomorrow. Thank you. Attached are TPs for: For tomorrow:



### **EXPECTED QUESTION:**

• Many of my colleagues have called for the Department to make Al-Jazeera's affiliate AJ+ register under FARA. Last September the media reported that DOJ had issued a letter of determination to AJ, requiring them to register. But seven months later, AJ+ has not registered. Why not?

### **RECOMMENDED RESPONSE:**

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### Not Responsive

From: Wiegmann, Brad (NSD)
Subject: RE: e ection interference

To: Heinze man, Kate (OAG); Newman, David A. (ODAG)

**Sent:** Apri 30, 2021 2:42 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: ELECTION SECURITY AND FOREIGN INFLUENCE ON U.S. ELECTIONS AG TPs 4 20 - NSD.docx

Here you go.

From: Heinzelman, Kate (OAG) < (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, April 30, 2021 2:31 PM

To: Wiegmann, Brad (NSD)  $\triangleleft$  (b) (6) >; Newman, David A. (ODAG)  $\triangleleft$  (b) (6) >

**Subject:** election interference

Do we have any pre-cleared responses on DOJ's work on election interference?

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)
Subject: RE: 7/2 Week y Report for review

**To:** Cress, Brian (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 1, 2021 10:12 PM (UTC-04:00) **Attached:** OLA Week y Report 7-2-21 cmc.docx

### Hi Brian,

Thanks for getting this to me so early this week. I'm sending back with a few edits. Most of these are comments for Joe, but there is one follow-up for you on a Crim briefing. Also pls. leave the highlight in on (b) (5) for now; it's because I need to follow-up on that tomorrow.

Thanks, Christina

From: Cress, Brian (OLA) < (b) (6) > Sent: Thursday, July 1, 2021 6:22 PM

To: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6) Subject: 7/2 Weekly Report for review

Christina,

Please see this week's Weekly Report draft for your consideration. I wanted to highlight that there was minimal reporting in both chambers especially the Senate. The Senate was in recess this week, and next, as well as the House being in recess next week. Thank you, and enjoy your evening.

Best, Brian



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July 2, 2021

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THROUGH: THE OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL

FROM: Joe Gaeta, Deputy Assistant Attorney General

SUBJECT: Weekly Report for July 5 to July 9, 2021

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Letter from Senators Grassley, Rubio, Cruz, Cotton, and Young asking the Department to explain what steps it has taken to require Al Jazeera to register under FARA. (July 1, 2020).

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### Not Responsive

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

Subject: RE: Weeky Report

To: Cress, Brian (OLA); Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

**Sent:** July 2, 2021 12:55 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: OLA Week y Report 7-2-21 cmc.bc.jej.docx, FW\_ Briefings.em, Re\_ Briefings.em

Add:

On July 27, 2021, Richard Downing, Deputy Assistant Director of the Criminal Division, will appear as a witness before the Senate Judiciary Committee for a hearing on ransomware. An FBI witness (to be determined) will also testify, along with an official from DHS.

House Homeland's Subcommittee on Counterintelligence and Terrorism has invited the Department or FBI to appear as a witness for a hearing on July 22, 2021, on cryptocurrency and terrorist financing. The Subcommittee is considering inviting DHS and Treasury as witnesses, as well.

House Oversight's Subcommittee on Civil Liberties has invited the Department to appear as a witness for a hearing on July 29, 2021, on the National Strategy for Countering Domestic Terrorism. The Committee is considering inviting DHS, as a witness, as well.

Senate Homeland has invited the Department or FBI to appear as a witness for a hearing on August 3, 2021, on the National Strategy for Countering Domestic Terrorism.

(See the attached. Not sure who handles NICS. But I added in the other one that is in my portfolio).

From: Cress, Brian (OLA) < (b) (6) >
Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 12:11 PM

To: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) >
Subject: RE: Weekly Report

JJ Thanks for your quick input. Christina, please see my updated draft.

Thanks, Brian

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 12:00 PM

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: RE: Weekly Report

Thanks, Joanne. I think we should include both b/c this is an issue that's of high priority to SJC, so it's good to keep leadership in the loop early. Will note that they are tentative in the report.

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 11:58 AM

To: Cress, Brian (OLA) <(b) (6)

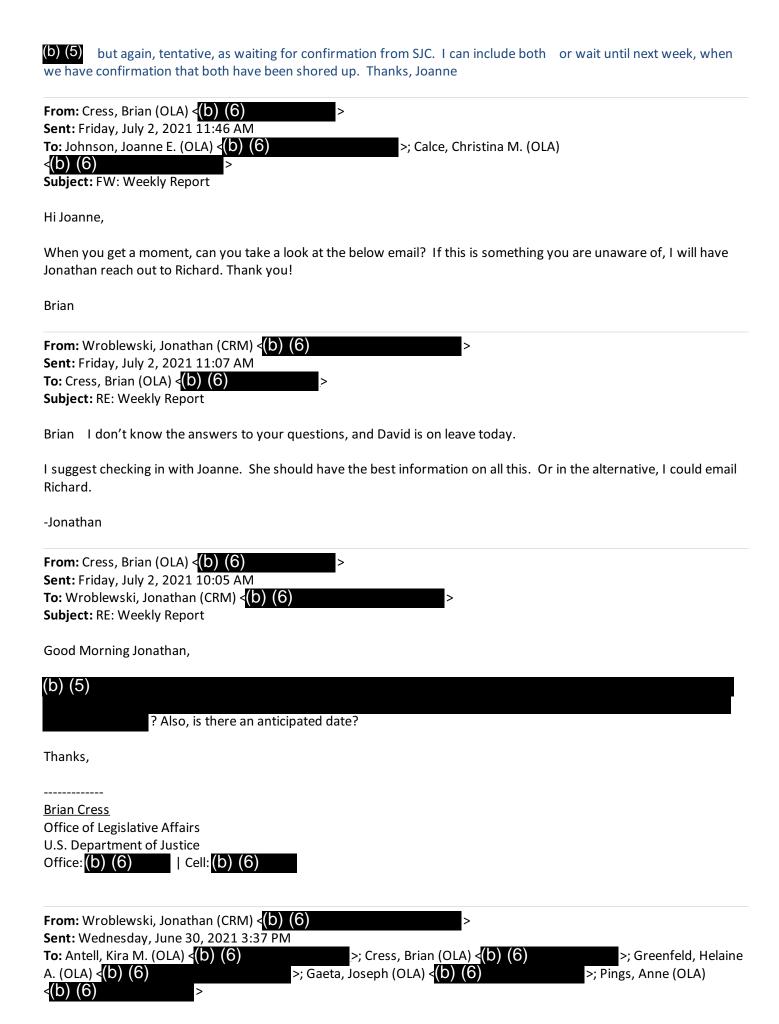
>; Calce, Christina M. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Subject: RE: Weekly Report

Thanks, Brian.

Christine: We have been working on (b) (5)

(Tentative, as being confirmed). We also have an (b) (5)



Cc: Brink, David (CRM) < (b) (6) >; Kempler, Alissa (CRM) < (b) (6) Subject: Weekly Report

OLA Attached is our report for this week. Please let us know if you need any further information or have any questions.

Thanks,

-Jonathan



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From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: Weeky

To: Cress, Brian (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 2, 2021 1:42 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: OLA Weeky Report 7-2-21 cmc.bc.cmc.docx

Hi Brian,

Would you mind doing a quick final proofread and then sending to Joe? He is in his car right now (as a passenger) and has a window to review quickly.

Thanks, Christina



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From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: Weeky

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 2, 2021 1:43 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: OLA Weeky Report 7-2-21 cmc.bc.cmc.docx

Hi Joanne,

In light of the final flurry of hearings/briefings, I want to make sure that all the info in here is correct. Can you please confirm?

Thanks, Christina



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From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Subject:** RE: Week y

To: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 2, 2021 1:56 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: OLA Week y Report 7-2-21 cmc.bc.cmc.jej.docx, Re\_ Briefings.em

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I did not see the NICs briefing included that FBI flagged today, too. It is not in my portfolio but was on email. See attached.

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6) > Sent: Friday, July 2, 2021 1:43 PM

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: Weekly

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Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA) Ju y 2, 2021 2:04 PM (UTC-04:00) To:

Sent: Attached: OLA Weeky Report 7-2-21 DRAFT.docx

Hi Joe,

Please see this week's Week Report draft for your review and approval.

Thanks, Brian



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To: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

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From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

**Sent:** Friday, July 2, 2021 1:56 PM

To: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

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Subject:Fina OLA WeekyTo:Cress, Brian (OLA)Cc:Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

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Hi Brian,

Please do a final proofread and then this should be good to go.

Thanks, Christina



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(OLA); Brink, David (CRM); Bu ock, Bob (OTJ); Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA); Ca ier, Saundra M (OLA); Catapano, Debbie (USTP); Cose, Va entina; (b)(6), (7)(C), (7)(E) per FBI (OCA) (FBI); Co born, Pau P (OLC); Co ey, Anthony D. (PAO); Creighton, Ke y M (PAO); Cress, Brian (OLA); Cut ar, Shanetta (COPS);

Davis, Robert M. (OVW); De aney, Wi iam (USMS); Dickerson, Juie (ODAG); Drisco, Kevin (CRM); Dunham, Christopher G. (OCA) (FBI); (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per BOP (BOP); Farmer, Tia H (OVW); Find ay, Patrick (NSD); Frank-Stempe, Sasha (OLA); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Gibert, Curtis W.; (Ola); (Ola); Gonza ez, Oscar; Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG); Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA); (Ola); (Ola); (Ola); (Ola); Hanson, A an R. (JMD); (Ola); (Ola); Herbert, Jene e R. (OLA); Horton, Char es R. (OLA); Hurwitz, Hugh (BOP); Iverson, Dena (PAO); Johnson, Anna

(OJP); Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA); (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per DEA; (b)(6), (7)(E) per FBI (OCA) (FBI); Ke ner, Kenneth E. (OLA); Kemp er, A issa (CRM); Kapper, Matthew B. (OAG); Kueter, Dean (OLA); (b)(6), (7)(C), (7)(E) per FBI

(OCA) (FBI); Lawrence, David (ATR); Lawrie, Heather (OLA); Lee, Steffanie G. (ODAG); Leiter, Jordan (CG) (FBI); Linares, Eva E. (OLA); Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG); Lofthus, Lee J (JMD); Long, Shannon (COPS); Lucas, Danie (JMD); (b)(6), (7)(C), (7)(E) per FBI (DO) (DET) (FBI); McKay, Shir ey A

(OLA); Mora es, Miche e (CRM); Munro, Shannon L. (JMD); Norgren-Mark ey, Danie e (OLA); NSD Week y Reports; Payton, Rayshon (OLA); Pings, Anne (OLA); Prasanna, Sandeep A. (OLA); Raimondi, Marc (PAO); Rinner, Wi iam (ATR); (DIG), (7)(C), (7)(E) per FBI (OCA) (FBI); Schrant, James W.; Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA); Shatz, Ei een M. (TAX); Si as, Adrien (OLA); Singh, Anita M. (ODAG); Stamos, Theophani K. (OLA);

(b)(6), (7)(C), (7)(E) per FBI Stevens, Karen L (CRT); Stoika, Dennis (OLA); Strait, Matthew J.; Suero, Maya A. (ODAG); Tann, Kevin; Thomas, Shery (COPS); Thompson, John (JMD); Thor ey, Char es A. (OLA); (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per DEA; Tyson, Ji Courtney (OCA) (FBI); Underwood, Ryan M. (OLA); USAEO-Legis ative; Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA); Wi es, Morgan (OAG); (D(G), (7)(E) per F51 (OCA) (FBI); Wi iams, Kim (OLA);

Wong, Norman (USAEO); Wood, Seth (USAEO); Wrob ewski, Jonathan (CRM); (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per BOP (BOP)

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Attached: OLA Week y Report 7-2-21 FINAL.docx, OLA Week y Report 7-2-21 FINAL.pdf

Good Afternoon:

Please find attached the OLA Weekly Report.

Best, Brian

**Brian Cress** 

Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

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From: Lee, Steffanie G. (ODAG)

7-2-21 Congressiona Correspondence Report Subject:

To:

Suero, Maya A. (ODAG) Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG); Singh, Anita M. (ODAG); Powe , SeLena Y (ODAG); Gamb e, Nathanie (ODAG) Cc:

Ju y 2, 2021 4:48 PM (UTC-04:00) Sent:

07-02-2021.zip, 7-2-21 Weeky Congressiona Priority.pdf Attached:

Hi Maya,

Attached is this week's congressional correspondence report and the associated info copies.

Thank you and have a good 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend!

### **Steffanie Lee**

Paralegal Specialist Office of the Deputy Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice Office: (b) (6)

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**ECATS Work DOCUMENT** DATE DUE **ACTION TO FROM SUBJECT** Package Key **RECEIVED** DATE tesponsive (Rec'd from OLA via email) Ltr from RMM Grassley, Comte on the Judiciary, expressing concerns that for several years, both the Obama and Trump Administrations, Congress has conducted oversight of the Justice Department's lax and selective enforcement of the Foreign Agents Registration Act (FARA). Advises that FARA is an important statute that was designed not to prohibit activity but rather to require individuals to register with the Department of Justice (DOJ) if they are acting as an The Honorable Charles E. 2021-002969 7/1/2021 7/1/2021 8/2/2021 NSD agent of a foreign government or enterprise to influence U.S. policy or public opinion. Mentions they sent a ltr to DOJ dtd Grassley 06/18/2019 with respect to their concerns that Al Jazeera Media Network was engaged in activity that required it to register as a foreign agent under FARA. Requesting DOJ to explain the steps taken to enforce the law and require Al Jazeera Media Network, AJ + and Rightly to register under FARA. Request DOJ provide answers to the enclosed questions NLT 07/16/2021. Ltr also from MCs Rubio, Cotton, Cruz, and Young. See WF 4278925. lot Responsive

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Subject:** FW: Soft moot

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)
Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

**Sent:** July 6, 2021 3:14 PM (UTC-04:00)

**Attached:** Possible Questions for Soft Moot.7-6-21.docx

Leah See below. Could you send to those participating in the soft moot? Thanks, Joanne

From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) > Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:10 PM

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Subject: RE: Soft moot

That's fine with me.

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:09 PM

To: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) (6)

**To:** Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Soft moot

Here is the email that I propose Leah send to those participating in the soft moot tomorrow.

### Good afternoon:

Thank you for participating in the soft moot tomorrow from 10:00 to 12:00 in OLA's Large Conference Room (Room 1145). Attached are possible questions to ask during the moot. The principle topic areas are (b) (5)

Thank you,

Leah Schwartz

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**Sent:** Ju y 6, 2021 3:33 PM (UTC-04:00)

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Hey- could you call me when you get a moment?

### Thanks!

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:14 PM

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: FW: Soft moot

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From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)
Subject: RE: Externa moot invitees

To: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD); Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Cc:** Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) **Sent:** Ju y 6, 2021 4:12 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Draft Soft Moot Package 21.07.06 SJC.docx

- I appreciate the clarification. Since we have not locked in participants, we will wait to send the soft moot/topical Moot package.

Leah- Once they are locked in, please send an email attaching the document with the following language below in the body of the email. If they don't confirm until after 5:30pm, then I will send them the email.

"Good afternoon:

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Thanks,

Rana

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From: (b) (6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6) 

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 4:05 PM

To: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Subject: RE: External moot invitees 

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Waiting to hear back from Helaine on Ricki and from OAG, but here is what I have so far:

Helaine Greenfeld Rachel Appleton (b)(6) per NSD (b)(6) per NSD

Ricki Seidel (waiting on confirmation)

David Newman/ODAG rep (ODAG will send, getting back to us on who)

Kate Heinzelman/OAG rep (waiting on response)

Rana and Joanne, Rachel suggested that her approach is usually to attend the moots for her nominees in order to takes notes and give feedback, but not to do the questioning. Do you plan to do the same? Let me know if you prefer to be in a questioning role.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:54 PM

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(b)(6) per NSD

Can you please list the participants for tomorrows soft moot.

Thank you,

Rana

From: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:47 PM

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: RE: External moot invitees

Leah,

Liza told Matt she'd be happy to do the moot, but didn't indicate a date. Can you reach out to her to follow up, and suggest that Friday would be ideal if she is available (but Monday is also fine)?

At the moment, I think we are only waiting on Patrick Rowan to respond.



From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 2:07 PM

To: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) 
>; Subject: External moot invitees

, Rana, and Joanne

I have received the following responses from external participants for Matt's hard moots, so far.

Available 7/9: Ken Wainstein, Mary McCord (if needed), Benjamin Powell Available 7/12: Mary McCord (preference), Katrina Mulligan, Benjamin Powell, Jamil Jaffer

I have not heard yet from Liza Goitein or Patrick Rowan.

Please let me know if you would like me to begin adding these folks to the moot invites, and for those who are available both days, whether you have a preference of who attends which day.

Best, Leah

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**Sent:** Ju y 6, 2021 5:28 PM (UTC-04:00)

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From:

Subject: moot packets

To: Sent:

Ju y 6, 2021 5:35 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Draft\_Soft Moot Package\_21.07.06 SJC.docx, Possib e Questions for Soft Moot.7-6-21.docx

Joanne and Rana,

Attaching both soft moot documents that were sent in the chains. They don't match; please let me know which is the correct document.

Thanks, Leah From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) Subject: FW: Externa moot invitees App eton, Rache E. (OLA) To:

Sent: Juy 6, 2021 5:40 PM (UTC-04:00)

Draft Soft Moot Package\_21.07.06 SJC.docx, Possib e Questions for Soft Moot.7-6-21.docx Attached:

### Both drafts here

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) (6) **Sent:** Tuesday, July 6, 2021 4:57 PM (b)(6) per NSD (NSD) <(b) (6) To: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) (6) Subject: RE: External moot invitees

Rachel had indicated highlighting key topics. That is why those three were highlighted. (Matt noted them as the top priorities in his call today with Tillis, too). No problem to remove those flags. See below.

Leah: I would go ahead and send the email to those invited now, even if they have not yet confirmed participating. (I revised to just say "As you know"). That way folks can have the information sooner rather than later to help prepare. As noted below, those invited are Helaine Greenfeld, Rachel Appleton, (b)(6) per NSD Ricki Seidel, David Newman, and Kate Heinzelman. (If Dave or Kate designates someone, we can then send to that person, too, but I would send now to get it to folks, since moot is in the morning).

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From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) (6) Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 4:17 PM To: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD) <(b)(6)>; Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) Cc: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) (6) Subject: RE: External moot invitees

Happy to remove that. See below for revisions. Will wait to hear back form ODAG/OAG if Ricki accepted.

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### Rana Wahdan

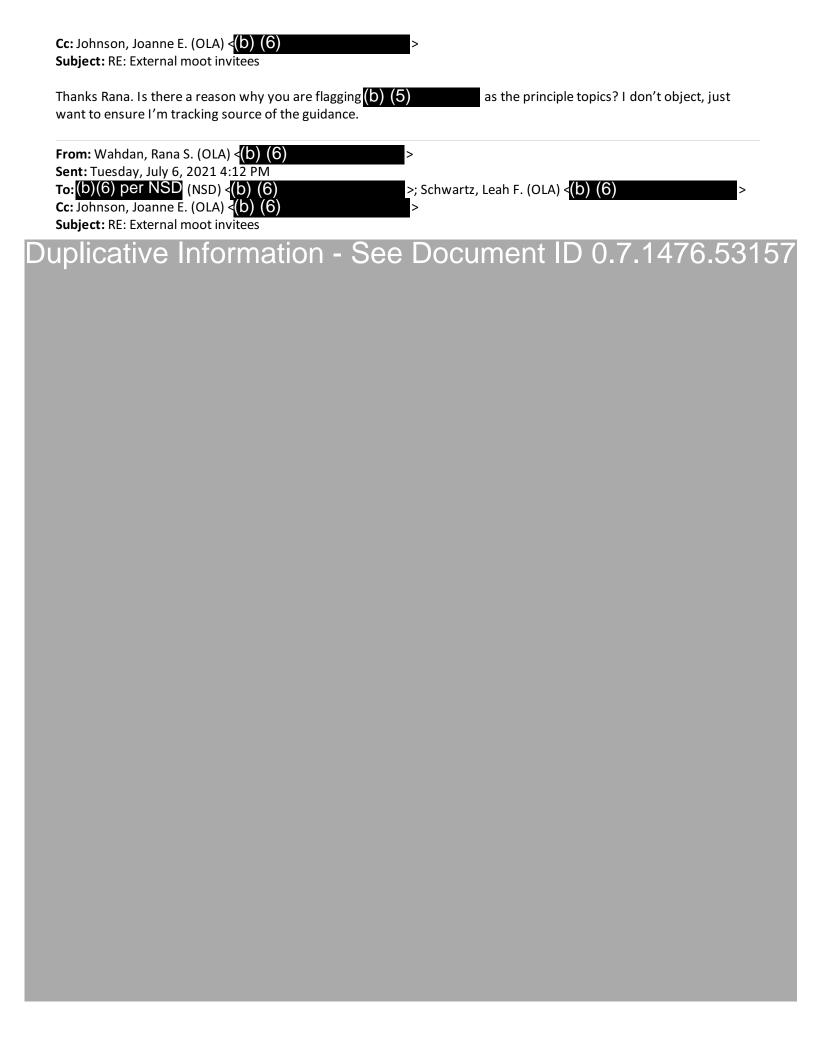
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From: App eton, Rache E. (OLA)

Subject: Soft Moot Packets

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA); Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA); Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 6, 2021 5:49 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Draft Soft Moot Package 21.07.06 SJC.docx

### Team

It looks like we have some confusion over the moot packet for tomorrow. The moot packet should be formatted per the attached without background or TPs. However, Joanne, I understand you wanted to add some additional questions. Might you do so in the attached? Once that document is squared away, Leah can send to tomorrow's participants, who I understand are DOJ only. I have prepared a transmittal email below that combines everyone's suggestions.

### Good evening:

Thank you for participating in Matt Olsen's soft moot tomorrow from 10:00 to 12:00 in OLA's Large Conference Room (Room 1145). A dial-in will also be made available for those who cannot attend in person. Attached is a packet of sample questions for the moot. We would like mooters to ask a range of questions, using the sample as a guide. We expect that Senators will focus largely on the following areas: FISA, Domestic Terrorism, Cyber, China, Hunter Biden/Oversight Issues, and Matt's personal record.

Please let us know if you have questions, and we look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Rachel Appleton
Office of Legislative Affairs
Department of Justice

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Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) From: Subject: **RE: Soft Moot Packets** App eton, Rache E. (OLA); Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA); Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) To: Sent: Juy 6, 2021 6:58 PM (UTC-04:00) Attached: Draft\_Soft Moot Package\_21.07.06 SJC.docx why so had taken it out. Below and attached looks good to me. From: Appleton, Rachel E. (OLA) < (b) (6) Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 5:49 PM To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ Subject: Soft Moot Packets

I'm good with the attached. Thanks for below. I had included certain principle topics, too, but of questioned >; Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) <**(b) (6)** uplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.53165 From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)
Subject: RE: Soft Moot Packets

**To:** App eton, Rache E. (OLA); Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 6, 2021 7:29 PM (UTC-04:00) **Attached:** Soft Moot Package 21.07.06 SJC.docx

Im sending now. Should I send to David/Kate? I understand we haven't confirmed who is coming from ODAG/OAG.

Thank you,

### Rana Wahdan

Counsel

Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

Office: (b) (6) Cell: (b) (6)

From: Appleton, Rachel E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 6, 2021 7:20 PM

**To:** Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)  $\leq$  (b) (6)

Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: Re: Soft Moot Packets

Ok, great. Rana has kindly volunteered to send the moot packets out (thank you!).

On Jul 6, 2021, at 6:58 PM, Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) > wrote:

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From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

Subject: Matt Osen Soft Moot 7/7 at 10 a.m.

To: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA); (b)(6) per NSD (NSD); (b)(6) per NSD (NSD); Newman, David A. (ODAG);

Heinze man, Kate (OAG); Seidman, Ricki (OASG); Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG)

Cc: App eton, Rache E. (OLA); Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA); Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 6, 2021 7:34 PM (UTC-04:00) **Attached:** Soft Moot Package 21.07.06 SJC.docx

### Good evening:

Thank you for participating in Matt Olsen's soft moot tomorrow from 10:00 to 12:00 in OLA's Large Conference Room (Room 1145). A dial-in will also be made available for those who cannot attend in person. Attached is a packet of sample questions for the moot. We would like mooters to ask a range of questions, using the sample as a guide. We expect that Senators will focus largely on the following areas: FISA, Domestic Terrorism, Cyber, China, Hunter Biden/Oversight Issues, and Matt's personal record.

Please let us know if you have questions, and we look forward to seeing you tomorrow.

Thank you,

### Rana Wahdan

Counsel
Office of Legislative Affairs
U.S. Department of Justice

Office: (b) (6) Cell: (b) (6)

From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Subject:** Hard Moot by Topic

To: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD); Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA); Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

Cc: App eton, Rache E. (OLA)

Sent: Ju y 7, 2021 8:51 PM (UTC-04:00)
Attached: Hard Moot by Topic on 7-9-21.docx

Attached is the hard moot packet by topic. (It has a timeline per topic and then the latest Q&A from Tuesday). Please advise if you have any questions. This follows a sample in the Nominations Folder. Thank you, Joanne

From: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD)  $\langle (b)(6) \rangle$ 

Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 3:04 PM

**To:** Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: RE: External moot invitees

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### SCHEDULE, 7/9 (by topic)

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11:00 Foreign Agents Registration Act and Malign Foreign Influence (OASG) (10 minutes)

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### **Legislation**

Grassley introduced the bipartisan Foreign Agents Disclosure and Registration Enhancement Act to shore up the law ( $\underline{S}$  1724). It has some bipartisan support but has failed to advance thus far.

Senators Cornyn and Cotton have also expressed interest in introducing FARA reform legislation.

From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)
Subject: RE: Hard Moot by Topic

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA); App eton, Rache E. (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** Ju y 7, 2021 11:45 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Hard Moot Topica Package 21.07.07 SJC.docx

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Thank you,

### Rana Wahdan

Counsel

Office of Legislative Affairs

U.S. Department of Justice

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Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Cc: Appleton, Rachel E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: Hard Moot by Topic

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From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)
Subject: Fwd: Hard Moot by Topic

To: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA); Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA); App eton, Rache E. (OLA); (b)(6) per NSD (NSD)

**Sent:** July 8, 2021 12:01 AM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Hard Moot Topica Package\_21.07.07 SJC.docx

Thanks Rana. I did not see an earlier version from you with TPs and BG stripped out. If that is way it is meant to be, thanks for doing that and combining with timeline. Adding (b)(6) per NSD: See below before sending out.

Thanks. Joanne

Begin forwarded message:

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From: "Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)" < (b) (6)

Date: July 7, 2021 at 11:45:10 PM EDT

To: "Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)" < (b) (6)

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Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 3:04 PM

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) <(b) (6)

>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Subject: RE: External moot invitees
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Perfect. Thanks for all your work on scheduling, Leah.

Can we make sure we get Ken, Ben, and Pat the moot packets today, so they'll have time to prepare in advance of Friday? Rana and Joanne, if you have those ready, I'm happy to draft an email regarding the planned structure. For reference, on Friday, we will be going by topic and on Monday we will be going by senator.

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From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, July 7, 2021 2:58 PM

To: (b) (6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6) >; Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: RE: External moot invitees
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Hello all,

Pat is available on Friday, not sure he can make it on Monday. So, these are our final external participant lists. The external participants have been added to the calendar invites and the visitor's center is aware of their arrival.

7/9: Ken Wainstein, Benjamin Powell, Pat Rowan 7/12: Mary McCord, Katrina Mulligan, Jamil Jaffer, Liza Goitein

Best, Leah

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From: (b) (6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6) 

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:59 PM

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) 
>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) 
Subject: RE: External moot invitees
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Ok, great. Sorry, tracking too many things.

7/9: Ken Wainstein, Benjamin Powell

7/12: Mary McCord, Katrina Mulligan, Jamil Jaffer, Liza Goitein

Once we hear from Pat Rowan we can decide how to proceed.

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From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:57 PM

To: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6)

>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: RE: External moot invitees
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Bumping this per your last email. Liza is only available on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks! Leah

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From: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD) <(b) (6) > Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:07 PM To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) <(b) (6) >; Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)
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Great, thanks. If it turns out Pat Rowan can only do Monday, we can check with Helaine on whether she thinks we should ask Mary to do Friday instead. But even if we end up having 5 extremal participants for the final moot, I think that's fine.

From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 3:04 PM

To: (b) (6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6) 
>; Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) < (b) (6) 
>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Subject: RE: External moot invitees

Great, thanks. One addition: Liza just confirmed her availability on 7/12, reflected below.

From: (b) (6) per NSD (NSD) < (b) (6) 
Sent: Tuesday, July 6, 2021 2:32 PM

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) 
>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) < (b) (6) 
Subject: RE: External moot invitees

Thanks Leah,

For now, let's plan on

7/9: Ken Wainstein, Benjamin Powell 7/12: Mary McCord, Katrina Mulligan, Jamil Jaffer, Liza Goitein

Let's move forward with adding them to the invites for those days and begin the Visitor's Center process.

From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

Hard moot packet Subject:

(b)(6) per NSD (NSD); Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) July 8, 2021 7:20 PM (UTC-04:00) To:

Sent:

Hard Moot Topica Package\_21.07.07 SJC.docx Attached:

Just checking in to see if the topical hard moot packet was shared with participants for tomorrow. If not, I am happy to circulate.

Thank you,

### Rana Wahdan

Counsel Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

Office: (b) (6) Cell: (b) (6) From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA) RE: Hard moot packet Subject:

(b)(6) per NSD (NSD); Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA) July 8, 2021 7:33 PM (UTC-04:00) To:

Sent:

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Updating document with being suggested timeline.

Thank you,

### Rana Wahdan

Counsel

Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

Cell: (b) (6) Office: (b) (6)

From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

Sent: Thursday, July 8, 2021 7:20 PM

To: (b)(6) per NSD (NSD) < (b)(6)>; Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

⊲(b) (6) Subject: Hard moot packet

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### SCHEDULE, 7/9 (by topic)

10:00-10:45 Round One Questioning (5-minute rounds, timed.)

### Not Responsive

FARA (Benjamin Powell)

Not Responsive

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11:00-11:45 Round 2 Questions

### Not Responsive

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From: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Subject:** Hard moot packet on Issues (10:00 today in OLA Conference Room)

To: Newman, David A. (ODAG)
Cc: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

**Sent:** July 9, 2021 9:42 AM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Hard Moot Topica Package\_21.07.07 SJC.docx

David Matt Olsen's hard moot by topic starts at 10 today in the OLA large conference room. We segregated out suggested topics for you to cover. See the attached. Your topics will likely be covered between 11 and 11:30, if you would prefer to come down then. If you have a conflict, that is okay.

Thank you,

Joanne

(If this was already sent to you, please disregard. Just wanted to make sure you received this).

From: Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA)

**Subject:** Hard Moot//Senator packet 7/12 at 10am

To: Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA); Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA); App eton, Rache E. (OLA); Loeb, Emi y M.

(ODAG); Newman, David A. (ODAG); Heinze man, Kate (OAG); Norgren-Mark ey, Danie e (OLA)

**Sent:** July 10, 2021 2:06 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Hard Moot Packet by Senator Fina rw.docx

Good afternoon everyone,

Attached please find the materials for Mr. Olsen's hard moot organized by senator. It is scheduled for 7/12 at 10 am. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

### Rana Wahdan

Counsel

Office of Legislative Affairs

U.S. Department of Justice

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### CONFIDENTIAL LIVE DRAFT

### SCHEDULE, 7/12 (Moot by Senator)

10:00	Not Responsive
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11:35 – 12:00 Mooters provide feedback.

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### Ranking Member Grassley (R-IA)

### Not Responsive

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From: Heinze man, Kate (OAG)

**Subject:** FW: Hard Moot//Senator packet 7/12 at 10am

To: Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG)
Sent: Ju y 11, 2021 11:11 PM (UTC-04:00)
Attached: Hard Moot Packet\_by Senator Fina\_rw.docx

Maggie I can't attend this (I don't think) but if you'd like to, pls let me know.

Duplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.40603

From: Pa mer, Bryan (Judiciary)

**Subject:** 7-14-21 Senate Judiciary Nominations Hearing - Written Questions

**To:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Greenfed, He aine A. (OLA)

**Cc:** Fragoso, Michae (Judiciary-Rep); Brest, Phi ip (Judiciary-Dem)

**Sent:** July 21, 2021 5:14 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Cruz - QFR for Osen.docx, Grass ey QFRs for Osen (fina ).docx, Hirono - Questions for the Record for

Matthew Osen.docx, Ossoff - 21.07.21 Osen QFRs.docx, Senator Ben Sasse - QFR's Osen.docx, Senator

Cornyn QFRs for Matt Osen.docx, Senator Lee - QFRs - Matthew Osen.docx, 7.19 Ti is QFR's for

Osen.docx, 210721 - COTTON QFRs for Matthew Osen.docx

Attached please find written questions submitted for the record following the July 14 nominations hearing. Below is a list of questions, broken down by nominee and the senator who submitted the written questions.

Matthew Olsen Ranking Member Grassley and Senators Hirono, Ossoff, Cornyn, Tillis, Cruz, Cotton, Lee and Sasse

Bryan Palmer

Hearing Clerk Senate Judiciary Committee

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http://judiciary.senate.gov

### Nomination of Matthew G. Olsen to be Assistant Attorney General for the National Security Division Questions for the Record Submitted July 21, 2021

### **QUESTIONS FROM SENATOR COTTON**

### Not Responsive

3. In September 2020, the Department of Justice ordered Al Jazeera's U.S.-based platform, AJ+, to register as a foreign agent for the Government of Qatar. To date, AJ+ has failed to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. If confirmed, will you commit to enforcing the Department's September 2020 ruling?

75. Last year, it was reported that the DOJ's National Security Division determined that AJ+, a subsidiary of Al Jazeera Media, must register under FARA. To date, AJ + has ignored this mandate and Al Jazeera has doubled-down on its activities by launching "Rightly," a media platform aimed at conservative Americans. Will you commit to enforcing FARA compliance for AJ+ and Rightly?

From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

**Subject:** Osen QFRs for SJC

To: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG); Newman, David A. (ODAG)

**Sent:** July 24, 2021 1:36 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Osen SJC QFRs for Matt 7.23.2021 600pm - Osen edits accepted.docx

Emily and David,

Attached are Matt Olsen's QFR answers for SJC. They were drafted by OLA and NSD, making sure to harmonize with previous QFR responses by other confirmed PASs including the AG and the DAG, and edited by Matt. They are due back to the Committee by 5 pm Monday. Thanks in advance for your review.

There were also a few questions from Sen. Wyden through SSCI post-hearing. There is no deadline for them except to get them in before the Committee can vote Matt out, which can't happen before SJC votes him out. In any case, no reason to delay sending them back, and there are only a few, so we expect to be able to send you a draft of those Monday or Tuesday.

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### **Helaine Greenfeld**

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice



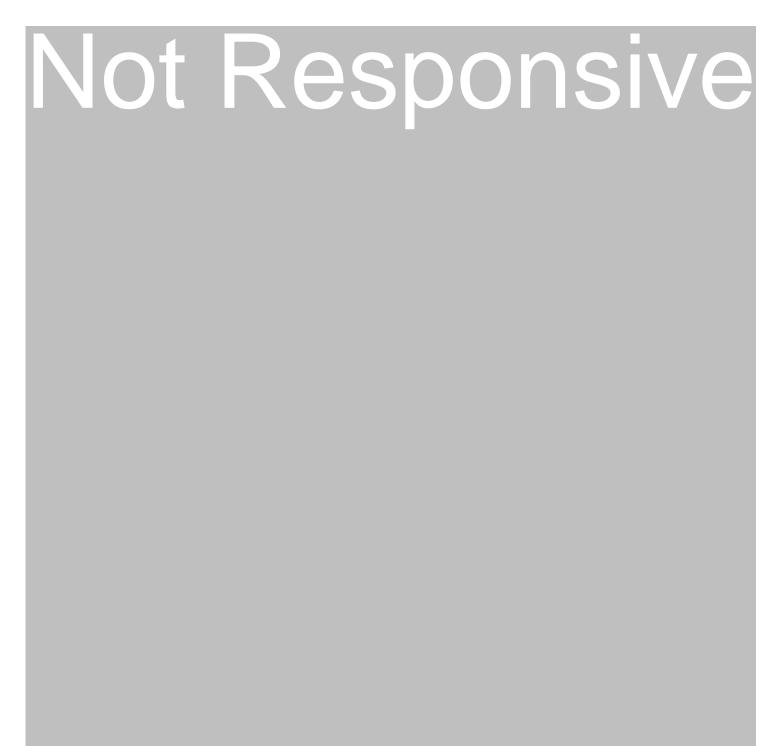
### Post-Hearing Questions for the Record Matthew G. Olsen Assistant Attorney General for the National Security Division, Department of Justice Submitted July 21, 2021

Senator Chuck Grassley, Ranking Member

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**RESPONSE:** The National Security Division oversees enforcement of the Foreign Agents Registration Act, which Congress passed to promote transparency and accountability

regarding entities or individuals who work on behalf of foreign principals to influence U.S. public opinion and policy. Because I am not at the Department, I do not have information related to any pending enforcement actions. If confirmed, I will ensure the Division's important work in this area is appropriately resourced, and I will make sure we bring enforcement actions to compel registration where appropriate.



From: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG)
Subject: RE: Osen QFRs for SJC

To: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA); Newman, David A. (ODAG)

**Sent:** July 26, 2021 11:20 AM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Osen SJC QFRs for Matt 7.23.2021 600pm - Osen edits accepted.docx

Small suggestions.

From: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6) >

**Sent:** Saturday, July 24, 2021 1:36 PM

To: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) <(b) (6) >; Newman, David A. (ODAG) <(b) (6)

Subject: Olsen QFRs for SJC

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Post-Hearing Questions for the Record
Matthew G. Olsen
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Submitted July 21, 2021

Senator Chuck Grassley, Ranking Member

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To: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA) Cc: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG) Juy 26, 2021 3:14 PM (UTC-04:00) Sent: Osen SJC QFRs for Matt 7.23.2021 600pm - Osen edits accepted (DN edits).docx Attached: Apologies for the delay. My edits suggested in the attached (and they are limited). From: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA)  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ **Sent:** Monday, July 26, 2021 3:12 PM To: Newman, David A. (ODAG)  $\lt$  (b) (6) Cc: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) (6) Subject: RE: Olsen QFRs for SJC David, I have to give Matt a chance to review comments. Will you have any? Н From: Newman, David A. (ODAG) <(b) (6) Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 12:01 PM **To:** Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA)  $\langle b \rangle$  (6) Cc: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) < (b) (6) Subject: Re: Olsen QFRs for SJC Yes. Sorry. Mine will be limited. Almost finished but keep getting pulled away. On Jul 26, 2021, at 11:55 AM, Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) (6) > wrote: Thanks. And I'm still waiting for David's separately? From: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) < (b) (6) Sent: Monday, July 26, 2021 11:20 AM **To:** Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA)  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ >; Newman, David A. (ODAG) Subject: RE: Olsen QFRs for SJC Duplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.46837

Newman, David A. (ODAG)

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Assistant Attorney General for the National Security Division, Department of Justice
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### **Senator Tom Cotton**

### Not Responsive

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From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

**Subject:** RE: 7-14-21 Senate Judiciary Nominations Hearing - Written Questions

**To:** Pa mer, Bryan (Judiciary); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

Cc: Fragoso, Michae (Judiciary-Rep); Brest, Phi ip (Judiciary-Dem)

**Sent:** Ju y 26, 2021 4:59 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Osen QFR Responses to Sen. Cornyn.pdf, Osen QFR Responses to Sen. Grass ey.pdf, Osen QFR

Resposes to Sen. Cruz.pdf, Osen QFR Responses to Sen. Hirono.pdf, Osen QFR Responses to Sen. Ossoff.pdf, Osen QFR Responses to Sen. Sasse.pdf, Osen QFR Responses to Sen. Cotton.pdf, Osen QFR

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Attached please find Mr. Olsen's responses.

Helaine

### **Helaine Greenfeld**

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

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From: Palmer, Bryan (Judiciary) <(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2021 5:14 PM

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Cc: Fragoso, Michael (Judiciary-Rep) <(b) (6)

>; Brest, Phillip (Judiciary-Dem)

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Subject: 7-14-21 Senate Judiciary Nominations Hearing - Written Questions

Attached please find written questions submitted for the record following the July 14 nominations hearing. Below is a list of questions, broken down by nominee and the senator who submitted the written questions.

Matthew Olsen Ranking Member Grassley and Senators Hirono, Ossoff, Cornyn, Tillis, Cruz, Cotton, Lee and Sasse

Bryan Palmer

Hearing Clerk Senate Judiciary Committee

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http://judiciary.senate.gov

### Post-Hearing Questions for the Record Matthew G. Olsen Submitted July 21, 2021

**Senator Tom Cotton** 

# Not Responsive

3. In September 2020, the Department of Justice ordered Al Jazeera's U.S.-based platform, AJ+, to register as a foreign agent for the Government of Qatar. To date, AJ+ has failed to register under the Foreign Agents Registration Act. If confirmed, will you commit to enforcing the Department's September 2020 ruling?

RESPONSE: The National Security Division oversees enforcement of the Foreign Agents Registration Act, which Congress passed to promote transparency and accountability regarding entities or individuals who work on behalf of foreign principals to influence U.S. public opinion and policy. Because I am not at the Department, I do not have information related to any pending enforcement actions. If confirmed, I will ensure the Division's important work in this area is appropriately resourced, and I will make sure we bring enforcement actions to compel registration where appropriate.

74. Last year, it was reported that the DOJ's National Security Division determined that AJ+, a subsidiary of Al Jazeera Media, must register under FARA. To date, AJ + has ignored this mandate and Al Jazeera has doubled-down on its activities by launching "Rightly," a media platform aimed at conservative Americans. Will you commit to enforcing FARA compliance for AJ+ and Rightly?

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From: Nesbitt, Jason (JMD)

Subject: OLA Large IQ Search - Review Draft Report

To: Ante , Kira M. (OLA); Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA); Gooda , Cassandra J.; Cox, Todd; Roberson, Deron;

Paige, Dana E (JMD); To son, Kimber y G (JMD); Robinson, Anthony J. (JMD)

**Sent:** August 18, 2021 9:06 AM (UTC-04:00)

**Attached:** Jan19-Jun19.xsx

Purpose: review draft report

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Subject: FW: OLA Large IQ Search - Review Draft Report

**To:** Ke ner, Kenneth E. (OLA)

**Sent:** August 18, 2021 10:24 AM (UTC-04:00)

**Attached:** Jan19-Jun19.xsx

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From: Nesbitt, Jason (JMD) <(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 9:06 AM

To: Nesbitt, Jason (JMD); Antell, Kira M. (OLA); Calce, Christina M. (OLA); Goodall, Cassandra J.; Cox, Todd; Roberson,

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Subject: OLA Large IQ Search - Review Draft Report

When: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 12:15 PM-12:45 PM (UTC-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Purpose: review draft report

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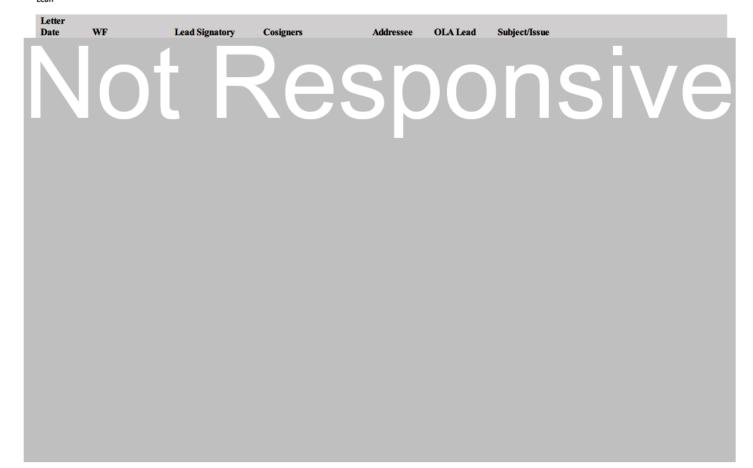
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From: (b)(6) Kira Antell Report

Subject:

To:

Antell, Kira M. (OLA) August 30, 2021 5:49 PM (UTC-04:00) Sent:

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To: Lawrie, Heather (OLA)

**Sent:** September 21, 2021 12:31 PM (UTC-04:00)

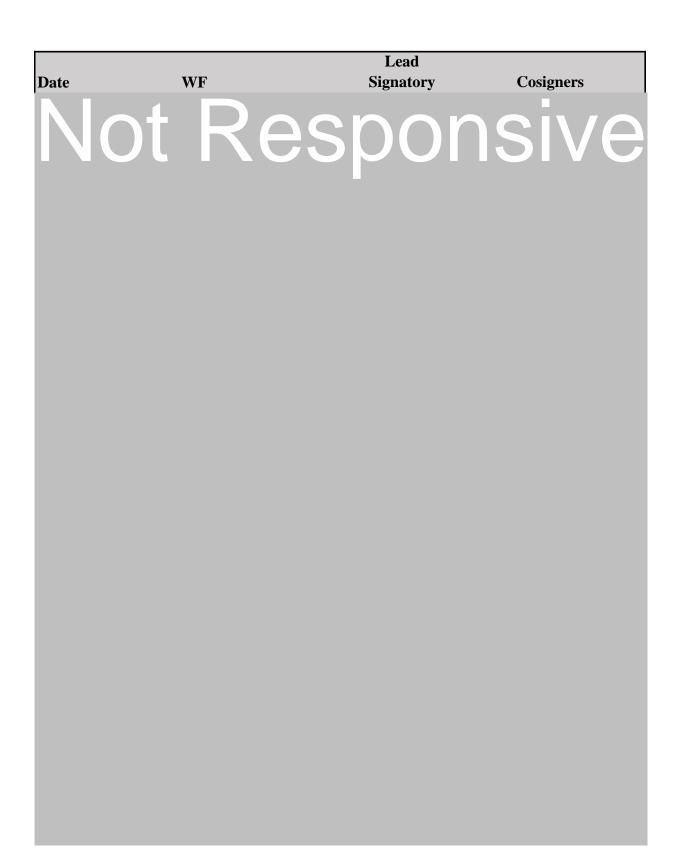
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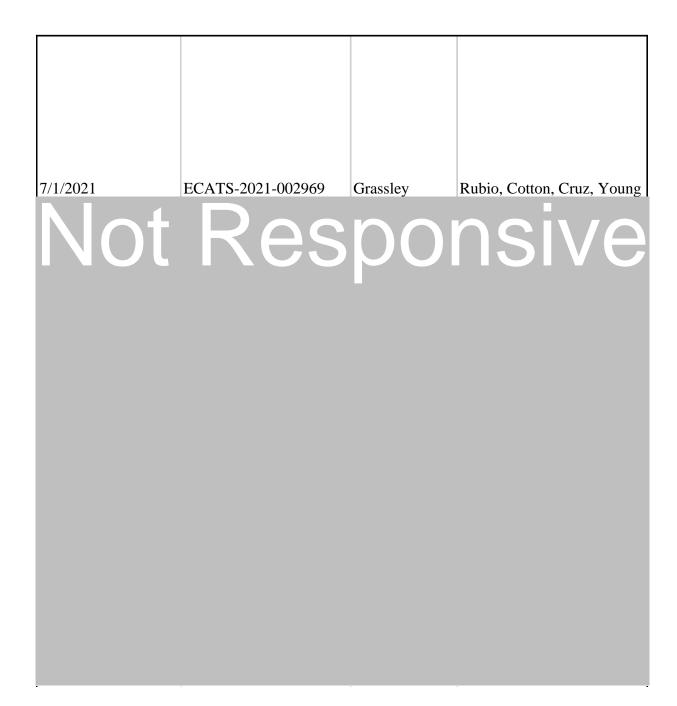
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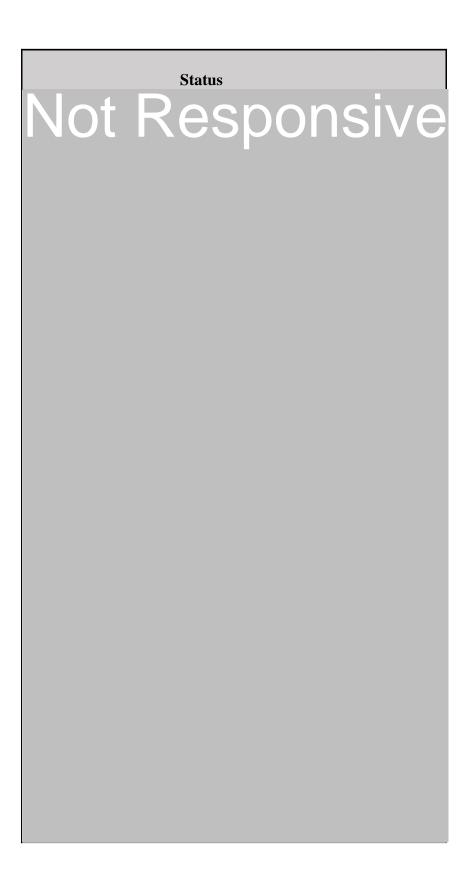
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As of 8/26: NSD provided draft response; Brian formatting for ODAG review. 07/22/2021: Per OLA (McKay), return WP to NSD to attach the (5) ltrs in eCATS. Please check the ltr head and do not date the letters.

07/14/2021: NSD submitted proposed response for OLA signature.

07/01/2021: Per OLA (Gaeta), assign to NSD.

From: Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA) Outstanding SJC Correspondence Subject:

To:

Lewis, Megan (ODAG) Lawrie, Heather (OLA); Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG) Cc: Sent: September 21, 2021 5:55 PM (UTC-04:00)

Outstanding SJC Letters 092121.docx, SJC Letters.zip Attached:

Here you go!

Wintta Woldemariam **Deputy Assistant Attorney General** U.S. Department of Justice

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#### Grassley

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• 7/1/21- Grassley re: Foreign Agents Registration Act. Congressional oversight of the DOJ's lax and selective enforcement of FARA. Mentions Al Jazeera's failure to register as a foreign agent of the government of Qatar.

From: Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA)

**Subject:** FW: Outstanding SJC Correspondence

**To:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

**Sent:** September 21, 2021 6:23 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Outstanding SJC Letters 092121.docx, SJC Letters.zip

From: Woldemariam, Wintta (OLA)

Sent: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 5:55 PM

**To:** Lewis, Megan (ODAG) < (b) (6)

Cc: Lawrie, Heather (OLA) < (b) (6) >; Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Outstanding SJC Correspondence

From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

**Subject:** FW: Outstanding SJC Correspondence

To: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

**Sent:** September 22, 2021 10:40 AM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Outstanding SJC Letters 092121.docx, SJC Letters.zip

Can we discuss this list after the admin meeting?

From: Woldemariam, Wintta (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 6:23 PM

**To:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) <(b) (6) >

Subject: FW: Outstanding SJC Correspondence

From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

**Subject:** FW: Outstanding SJC Correspondence

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA); Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Sent: September 22, 2021 1:22 PM (UTC-04:00)
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Sent: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 6:23 PM

**To:** Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: FW: Outstanding SJC Correspondence

From: Lewis, Megan (ODAG)

**Subject:** RE: Outstanding SJC Correspondence

To: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG)

Sent: September 25, 2021 4:01 PM (UTC-04:00)
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High ighted the ist; can discuss Monday.

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Sent: Tuesday, September 21, 2021 5:55 PM

To: Lewis, Megan (ODAG) < (b) (6) >

Cc: Lawrie, Heather (OLA)  $\triangleleft$  (b) (6) >; Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG)  $\triangleleft$  (b) (6) >

**Subject:** Outstanding SJC Correspondence



Grassley [NOTE there is also a CEG letter on Death Penalty that is not listed below]

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• 7/1/21- Grassley re: Foreign Agents Registration Act. Congressional oversight of the DOJ's lax and selective enforcement of FARA. Mentions Al Jazeera's failure to register as a foreign agent of the government of Qatar.

From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

Subject: SJC Letters to the AG

To: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

**Sent:** October 19, 2021 3:20 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: TOPICS FROM LETTERS TO DOJ SJC 10172021 HG.docx

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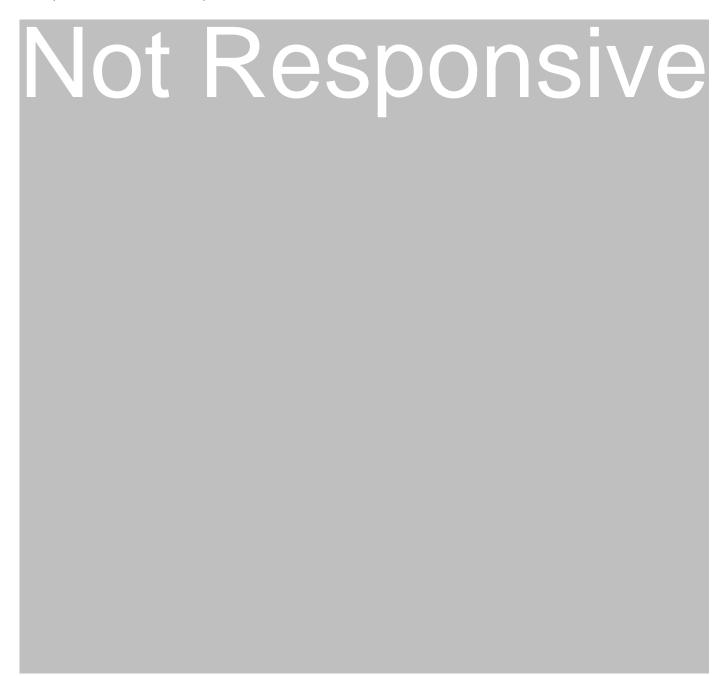
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### **Senate Judiciary Committee Senator Charles Grassley**

(Christina to review.)



### **FARA**

Questioning whether Al Jazeera's AJ+ has to register under FARA. (7/1/21 letter)

### Senate Judiciary Committee Senator Ted Cruz

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Senate Judiciary Committee Senator Tom Cotton

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### **FARA**

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From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

**Subject:** RE: Tomorrow at 5

To: Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG)
Cc: Kapper, Matthew B. (OAG)

Sent: October 22, 2021 1:52 PM (UTC-04:00)
Attached: Letters from SJC to DOJ for OAG.docx

I've uploaded this and a folder of incoming letters to the ONE drive. Outgoing is another story and harder. It could take me a few more days, if I can do it at all. Our systems are bad and I've been doing this on my own. We have no competent clerical help and still no paralegal.

From: Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG) < (b) (6) > Sent: Friday, October 22, 2021 1:31 PM

To: Groupfold, Helping A. (OLA) (b) (6)

To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) <(b) (6)
Cc: Klapper, Matthew B. (OAG) <(b) (6)

Subject: RE: Tomorrow at 5

Helaine Just checking in to see if you have an ETA on the SJC correspondence? Also in the meantime could you send the list of incoming letters with descriptions that you mentioned last night? Thanks again,

Maggie

From: Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG)

Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2021 7:08 PM

To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6)
Cc: Klapper, Matthew B. (OAG) < (b) (6)

Subject: RE: Tomorrow at 5

Thanks!

From: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2021 6:26 PM

To: Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG) < (b) (6)

Cc: Klapper, Matthew B. (OAG) (b) (6)

Subject: Re: Tomorrow at 5

Great. I have a list of the incoming letters with descriptions by members already. Working on assembling the outgoings. I'll load that up tomorrow.

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 21, 2021, at 6:09 PM, Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG) < (b) (6) wrote:

Excellent thanks very much, Helaine. Adding Matt here. Your memo will be an excellent place for the AG to start reading tomorrow afternoon. It would also be very helpful to get (1) a list of all incoming letters from SJC members + DOJ reply letters; and (2) copies of the incoming and outgoing letters. I've created a new folder on our shared drive called "October 27 SJC Hearing" and a subfolder called "SJC Letters + DOJ Replies)" which you can access <a href="here">here</a> (I'll also send you the link by email). Would that be possible? Thanks again and talk soon,

Maggie

From: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, October 21, 2021 5:46 PM

To: Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG) <(b) (6)

**Subject:** Tomorrow at 5

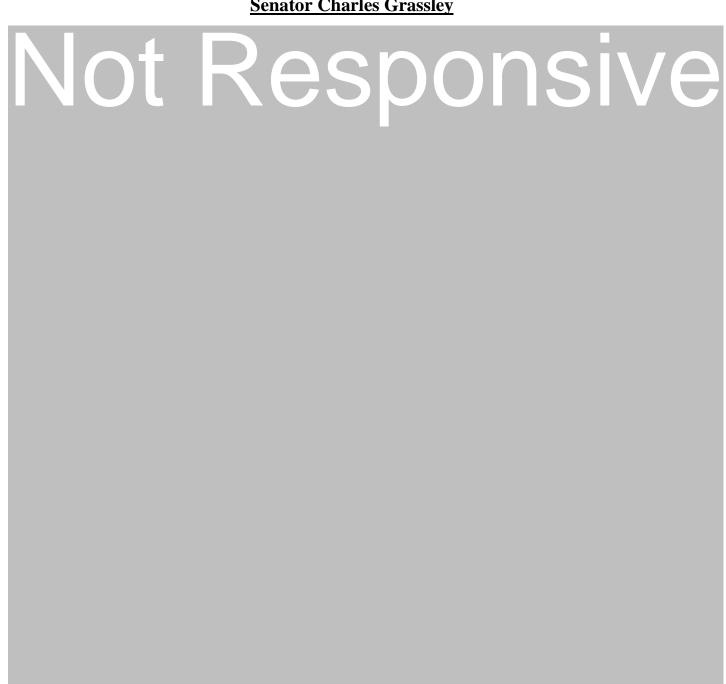
What will you want to cover tomorrow at 5? I have a draft of a memo about the hearing now, but it won't be complete until after my call with the Judiciary Chiefs, which is tomorrow at 2 pm, which will last about an hour. I should have the memo finalized by 4 or 4:30.

### **Helaine Greenfeld**

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

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**Senate Judiciary Committee Senator Charles Grassley** 



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Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG) From: Letters from SJC to DOJ for OAG Subject:

To:

Seidman, Ricki (OASG)
October 22, 2021 3:15 PM (UTC-04:00)
Letters from SJC to DOJ for OAG.docx Sent: Attached:

### SJC LETTERS TO DOJ BRIEF SUMMARIES

### **Senator Grassley**

### **FARA**

Questioning whether Al Jazeera's AJ+ has to register under FARA. (7/1/21 letter)



### **Senator Cruz**



### **FARA**

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### Senator Cotton

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From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

Subject: etters

To: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Sent: October 22, 2021 3:38 PM (UTC-04:00)
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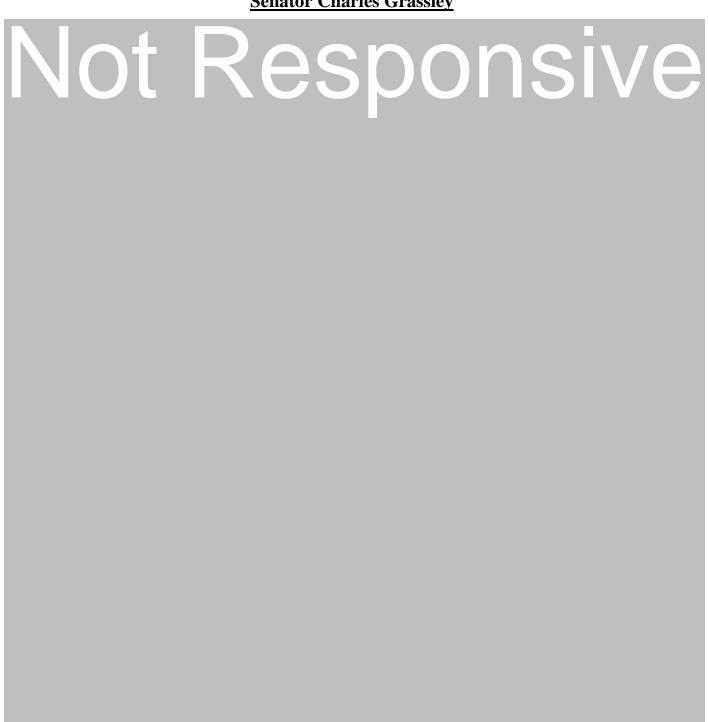
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Subject: The shortened version of the etter descriptions

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I repeated when there was a D and an R on the same letter.

### **Helaine Greenfeld**

Deputy Assistant Attorney General Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice



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### **Senator Charles Grassley**

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From: Cace, Christina M. (OLA)

Need to figure out what happened to this Subject:

To:

Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA) October 22, 2021 6:58 PM (UTC-04:00) Sent:

### **FARA**

Questioning whether Al Jazeera's AJ+ has to register under FARA. (7/1/21 letter; response pending)

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)
Subject: Status - Grass ey Letters to DOJ

To: Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG); Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

Sent: October 22, 2021 7:13 PM (UTC-04:00)
Attached: Status - Grass ey etters to DOJ.docx

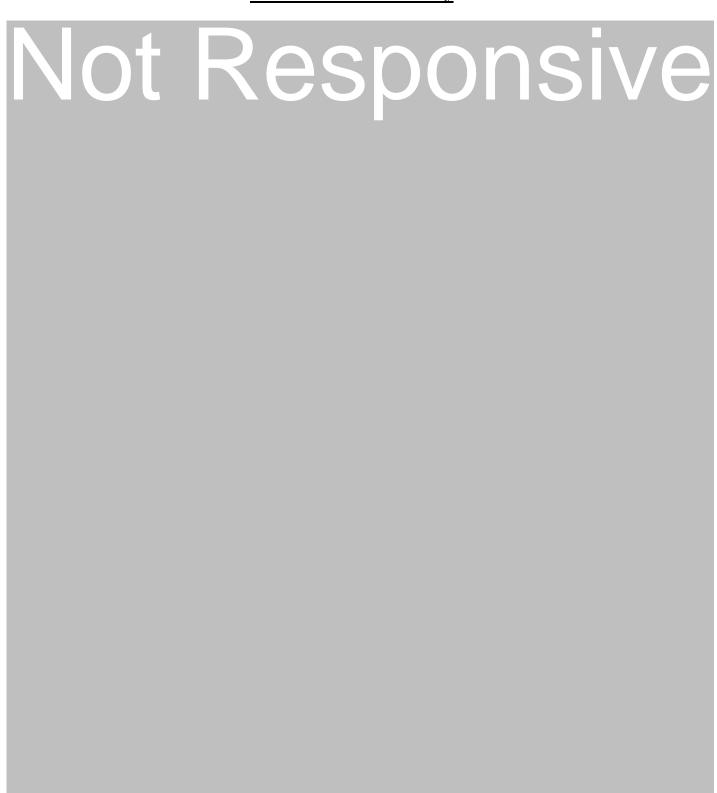
Hi Maggie,

We are continuing to track down a handful of the responses in the attached, but this is all of the letters Grassley has sent this year.

Thanks, Christina

### **TOPICS FROM LETTERS TO DOJ – MEMBER BY MEMBER**

**Senate Judiciary Committee Senator Charles Grassley** 



## Not Responsive

### **FARA**

Questioning whether Al Jazeera's AJ+ has to register under FARA. (7/1/21 letter; response pending)



From: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

Subject: FW: Status - Grass ey Letters to DOJ

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)
Cc: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)
Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Sent: October 25, 2021 10:04 AM (UTC-04:00)
Attached: Status - Grass ey etters to DOJ.docx

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Friday, October 22, 2021 7:13 PM

**To:** Goodlander, Margaret V. (OAG) < (b) (6) >; Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA)

<(b) (6) >

Subject: Status - Grassley Letters to DOJ

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Cace, Christina M. (OLA) From:

Fina etters Subject:

Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) To: Cc:

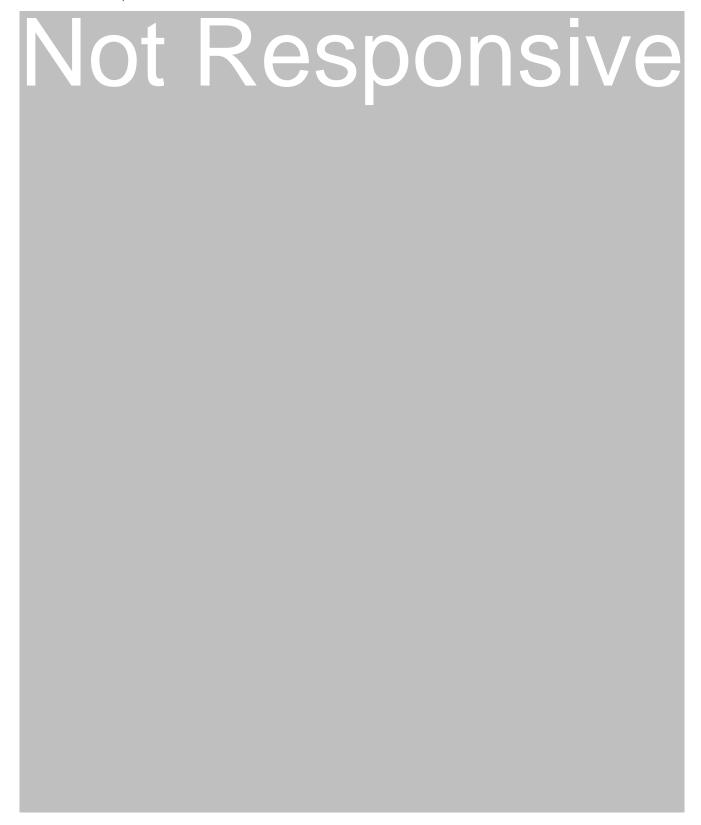
Sent:

Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)
October 25, 2021 3:27 PM (UTC-04:00)
Status - Grass ey etters to DOJ -10.25.21.docx Attached:

### **2021 Letters: Senator Grassley**



**14.** Al Jazeera / FARA Registration (7/1/21): Asking whether Al Jazeera's AJ+ should be required to register under FARA. (Response pending with NSD.)



From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

**Subject:** Grass ey Letterz

To: Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

**Sent:** October 25, 2021 6:27 PM (UTC-04:00)

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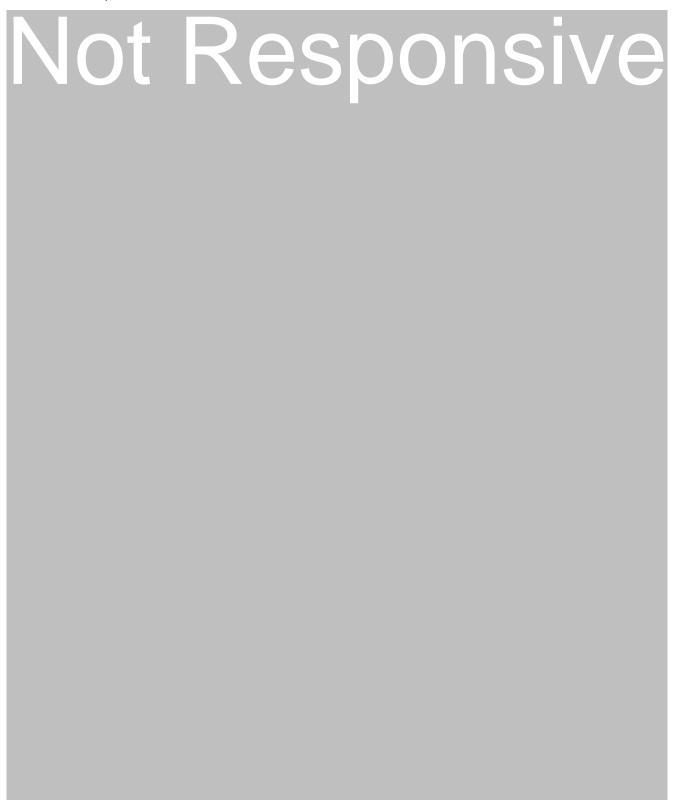
Poiticization of DOJ.pdf

Attaching the updated document + the 10/22/21 DT letter from Grassley this referenced in the word doc but does not have its own bullet since it's basically a repeat of the July 12 letter.

### **2021 Letters: Senator Grassley**



**14.** Al Jazeera / FARA Registration (7/1/21): Asking whether Al Jazeera's AJ+ should be required to register under FARA. (Response pending with NSD.)



From: Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG)

**Subject:** Re: Grass ey Letterz **To:** Greenfe d, He aine A. (OLA)

**Sent:** October 25, 2021 6:36 PM (UTC-04:00)

Attached: Status - Grass ey etters to DOJ -10.25.21.docx, 2021.10.22-IN-Grass ey-Domestic Terrorism and

Poiticization of DOJ.pdf

Thank you!!

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 25, 2021, at 18:35, Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6) > wrote

Maggie,

I've moved all the Grassley letters to their own folder in the one drive. This 10/22 letter is in there as well. H

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6) > Sent: Monday, October 25, 2021 6:27 PM

To: Greenfeld, Helaine A. (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: Grassley Letterz

Attaching the updated document + the 10/22/21 DT letter from Grassley this referenced in the word doc but does not have its own bullet since it's basically a repeat of the July 12 letter.

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

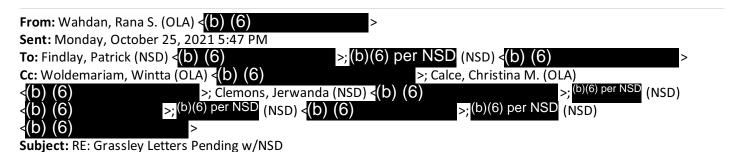
**Subject:** RE: Grass ey Letters Pending w/NSD

**To:** Wahdan, Rana S. (OLA); Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA)

**Sent:** October 25, 2021 6:43 PM (UTC-04:00)

(OLA Only) The AG reiterated today that every incoming from Grassley needs a response but it looks to me like the ACTA letter could just be a quick "thank you for sharing your views." I'll flag for CIV and make sure there are no concerns with this.

Wintta, defer to you on the MS-13 letter.



uplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.24787

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: FW: Durbin Letters

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Ante, Kira M. (OLA); Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA); Hyun, Peter (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** December 9, 2021 3:04 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.09 Outstanding Durbin Letters.docx, 2021.12.09 Grass ey Letters.docx

Team: Same thing but with the Grassley letters (and reattaching the Durbin letters b/c nobody has responded yet).

Please fill in the blanks. There's something for everyone in these, but should not take too long.

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA)

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 12:04 PM

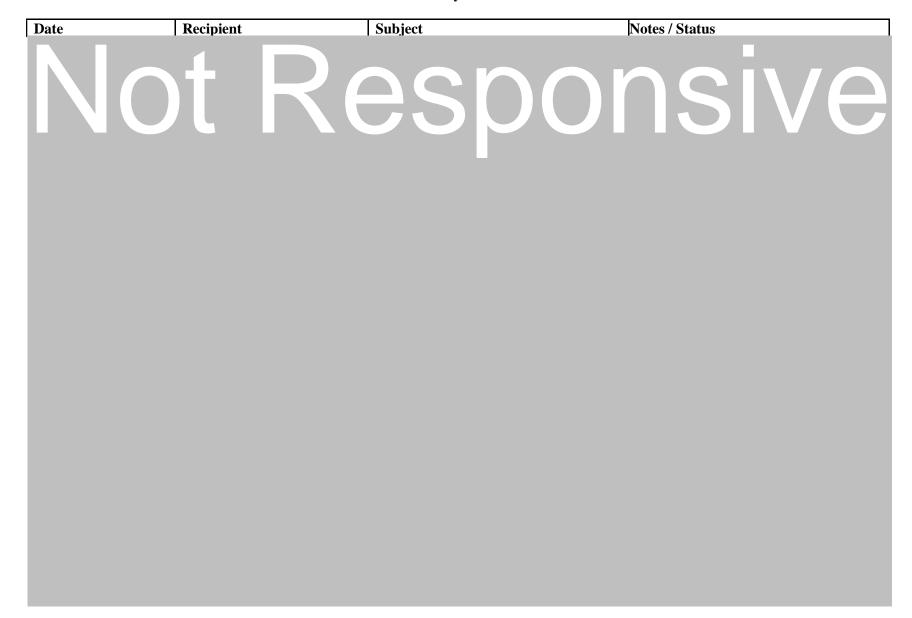
To: Antell, Kira M. (OLA) <(b) (6) 
>; Woldemariam, Wintta (OLA) 
>; Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) <(b) (6) 
>; Hyun, Peter (OLA)

**Subject:** Durbin Letters

I've dropped the Durbin Letter List into the attached word doc and added in a "status" column and have highlighted sections that need further info. Would you all mind adding in any information you have? Would like to have this in hand in advance of the 5pm oversight meeting.

Thanks, Christina

### **Grassley Letters**



Date Recipient Subject Notes / Status

## Not Responsive

7/2/21 (with 4 other R's) AG Garland

Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to register under FARA

Wintta: Response pending?

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Ante, Kira M. (OLA); Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA); Hyun, Peter (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** December 9, 2021 4:18 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.09 Outstanding Durbin Letters\_PKMA (002).docx, 2021.12.09 Grass ey Letters.docx

With Kira's updates to the Durbin letters. (Thanks, Kira!)

Joe, Wintta, Peter: Waiting on your edits.

From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) < (b) (6) 
Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 3:07 PM

To: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Woldemariam, Wintta (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA) < (b) (6) 

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters 

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Turning to this momentarily. Thanks CC.

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 3:04 PM

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) < (b) (6)

Wintta (OLA) < (b) (6)

>; Antell, Kira M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

>; Hyun, Peter (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: FW: Durbin Letters

Importance: High

Duplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.28494

From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)
Subject: RE: Durbin Letters

To: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA); Ante, Kira M. (OLA); Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA); Hyun, Peter (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

Sent: December 9, 2021 4:43 PM (UTC-05:00)
Attached: 2021.12.09 Grass ey Letters.docx

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters uplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.28497

### **Grassley Letters**

Date Notes / Status Recipient Subject Not Responsive Date Recipient Subject Notes / Status

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7/2/21 (with 4 other R's) AG Garland

Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to register under FARA

Wintta: Response pending?

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Ante, Kira M. (OLA); Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA); Hyun, Peter (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** December 9, 2021 4:47 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.09 Outstanding Durbin Letters PKMA -jg.docx, 2021.12.09 Grass ey Letters.docx

Thanks. Clean copies of both attached. Wintta, Peter, just a few bubbles left for you.

From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) <(b) (6) >

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 4:43 PM

To: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) <(b) (6) >; Antell, Kira M. (OLA) <(b) (6) >; Woldemariam, Wintta (OLA) <(b) (6) >; Hyun, Peter (OLA) <(b) (6) >

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 4:18 PM

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) < (b) (6)

Wintta (OLA) < (b) (6)

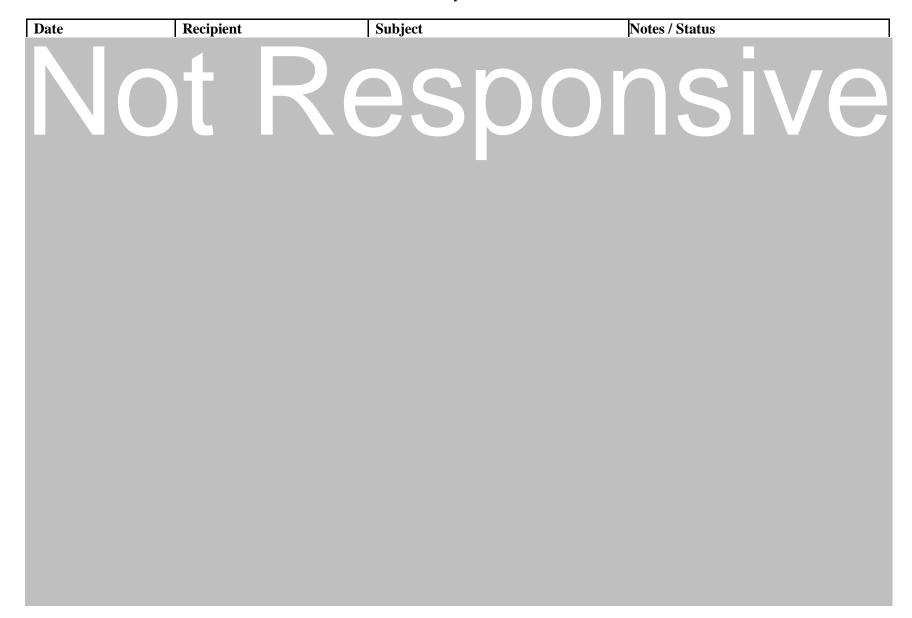
>; Antell, Kira M. (OLA) < (b) (6)

>; Hyun, Peter (OLA) < (b) (6)

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters

Duplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.28499

# **Grassley Letters**



Recipient Subject Notes / Status **Date** ot Responsive AG Garland Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to Wintta: Response pending? 7/2/21 (with 4 other R's) register under FARA

Not Responsive

From: Hyun, Peter (OLA)
Subject: FW: Durbin Letters

To: Good ander, Margaret V. (OAG)

Sent: December 9, 2021 6:12 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.09 Outstanding Durbin Letters\_PKMA -jg.docx, 2021.12.09 Grass ey Letters.docx

Peter S. Hyun

Acting Assistant Attorney General

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From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Sent: Thursday, December 9, 2021 4:47 PM

To: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA) <(b) (6)

Wintta (OLA) <(b) (6)

>; Antell, Kira M. (OLA) <(b) (6)

>; Woldemariam,

>; Hyun, Peter (OLA) <(b) (6)

Subject: RE: Durbin Letters

Duplicative Information - See Document ID 0.7.1476.28502

From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Subject:** Virtua briefing book for 12/10/21

To: Hyun, Peter (OLA)

**Sent:** December 9, 2021 6:24 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: TABLE OF CONTENTS.docx, To-Dos.docx, 1. PH Schedule for 12.10.21.pdf, Block as of 12.10.21.pdf, 2.

DAG Meeting Agenda.docx, 3.a Outstanding Durbin Letter ist.docx, 3.b Outstanding Grass ey Letter List.docx, 5. Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) Amendments of 2021 Overview.docx, 6.a

Warren.incoming. tr.12.9.2021.pdf, 6.b Johnson.incoming. tr.12.8.2021.pdf

Have a good evening, Peter! I can print the McCaul memo (Tab 04) that Daniel drafted up for you in the morning, whenever you have time to send it along.

-Leah

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: RE: Outstanding Durbin + BOP etters

To: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG); Lewis, Megan (ODAG)

Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA)

**Sent:** December 14, 2021 12:08 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.14 - Grass ey Letters.docx

Also attaching our list of Grassley letters in case we have time to discuss this afternoon.

From: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) <(b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 9:48 AM

To: Lewis, Megan (ODAG) <(b) (6)

Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA) <(b) (6)

>; Calce, Christina M. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Subject: Re: Outstanding Durbin + BOP letters

Thanks for this. Would like to discuss today as some columns don't comport with where I think things are. My calendar is up to date.

Emily Loeb C:(b)(6)

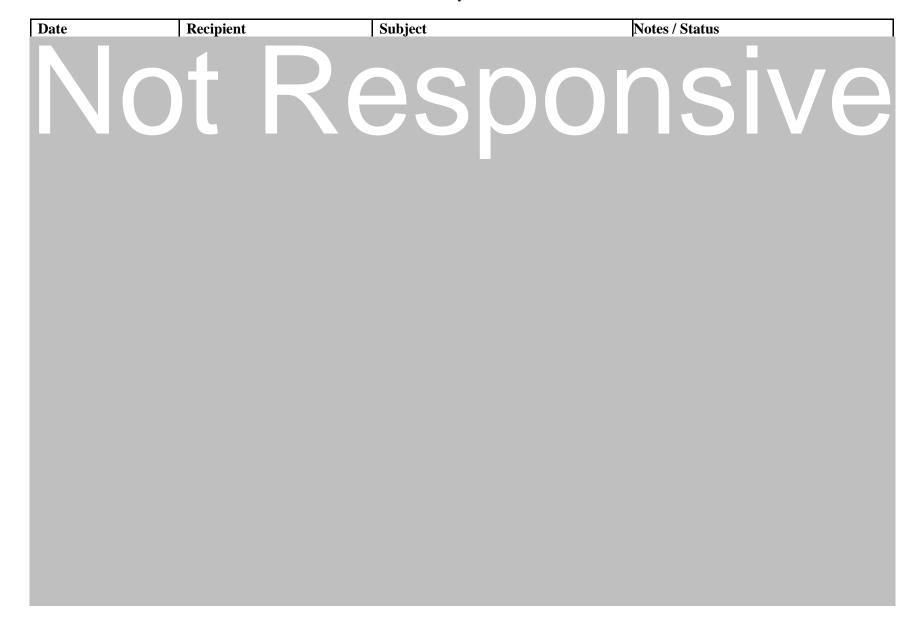
On Dec 13, 2021, at 9:42 PM, Lewis, Megan (ODAG) < (b) (6) > wrote:

Thanks for this Peter- may be he pfu to discuss tomorrow.

Emily: please see attached. On the question of whether we send a follow-on letter after briefings; I'm told the answer is no, we have not. But we can discuss what doing so would look like. Our sense is that members might not like such a response, but happy to workshop it. Thanks, Peter

Peter S. Hyun
Acting Assistant Attorney General
U.S. Department of Justice
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# **Grassley Letters**



Notes / Status Date Recipient Subject Not Responsive AG Garland Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to Response pending with NSD. 7/2/21 (with 4 other R's) register under FARA Not Responsive

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

**Subject:** RE: Outstanding Durbin + BOP etters

**To:** Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG); Lewis, Megan (ODAG)

Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA)

**Sent:** December 14, 2021 12:19 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.14 - Grass ey Letters.docx

Edit in the attached to the Nassar letter item.

From: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) (b) (6) > Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 12:12 PM

**To:** Calce, Christina M. (OLA) **(b) (6)** >; Lewis, Megan (ODAG) **(b) (6)** > Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA) **(b) (6)** >

Subject: RE: Outstanding Durbin + BOP letters

Thanks Christina definitely should discuss too as many of these that list "pending with ODAG" are not correct to my knowledge, so would be good to sync up and go through.

From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Sent: Tuesday, December 14, 2021 12:08 PM

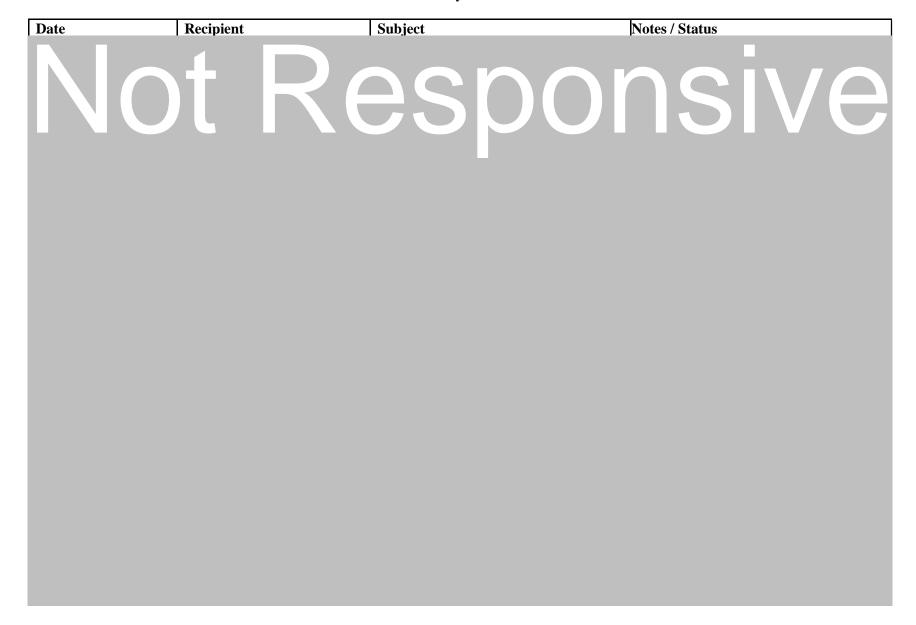
To: Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) < (b) (6) >; Lewis, Megan (ODAG) < (b) (6) >

Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA) < (b) (6) >

Subject: RE: Outstanding Durbin + BOP letters

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# **Grassley Letters**



Notes / Status **Date** Recipient Subject Not Responsive AG Garland Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to Response pending with NSD. 7/2/21 (with 4 other R's) register under FARA

Not Responsive

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)
Subject: Updated & Revised trackers

To: Hyun, Peter (OLA); Gaeta, Joseph (OLA); Ante, Kira M. (OLA); Wo demariam, Wintta (OLA)

Cc: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

**Sent:** December 21, 2021 7:01 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: Chair RM Briefings Tracker.docx, 2021.12.21 - Grass ey Letters.docx, 2021.12.21 Durbin Letters.docx

Hi All,

I'm attaching most recent version of the Grassley / Durbin letter trackers and our briefings tracker. I would like to relay these to ODAG tomorrow morning if possible.

Please let me know by 11:00 A.M. if you have any edits or additions to the attached.

Thank you, Christina

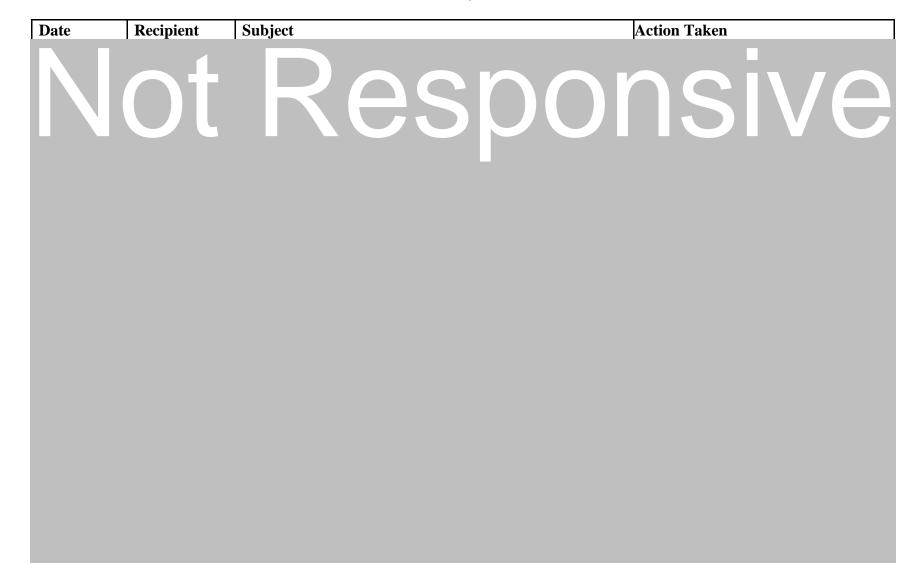
### **Christina Calce**

Chief of Staff & Senior Counsel Office of Legislative Affairs U.S. Department of Justice

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# **Grassley Letter Tracker**

Current as of 12/20/21



**Date** Recipient Subject **Action Taken** tResponsive 7/2/21 AG Garland Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to register under Response pending with NSD. (with 4 **FARA** other R's) tResponsive From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

Subject: Fwd: Updated & Revised trackers

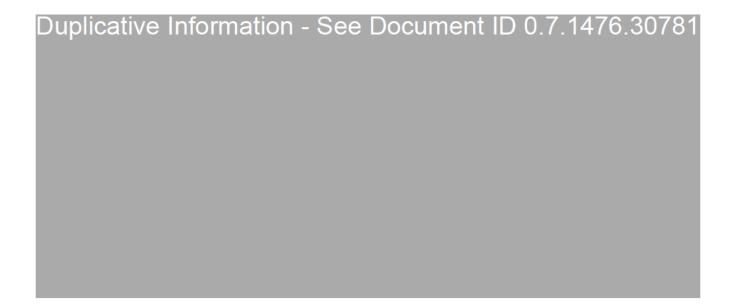
To: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Sent: December 22, 2021 9:29 AM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: Chair RM Briefings Tracker.docx, 2021.12.21 - Grass ey Letters.docx, 2021.12.21 Durbin Letters.docx

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From: Gaeta, Joseph (OLA)

Subject: Fwd: Updated & Revised trackers

To:

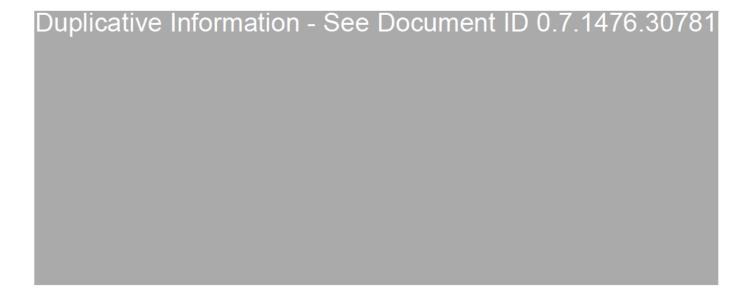
(b)(6) Joseph Gaeta December 22, 2021 9:29 AM (UTC-05:00) Sent:

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From: "Calce, Christina M. (OLA)" < (b) (6)
Date: December 21, 2021 at 7:00:37 PM EST
To: "Hyun, Peter (OLA)" \leq (b) (6)
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                        >, "Antell, Kira M. (OLA)" <(b) (6)
<(b) (6)
                                                                             >, "Woldemariam,
Wintta (OLA)" <(b) (6)
Cc: "Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)" <(b) (6)
Subject: Updated & Revised trackers
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From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)
Subject: Durbin/Grass ey etter trackers

To: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG)

Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA); Lewis, Megan (ODAG)
Sent: December 22, 2021 11:43 AM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: Draft Response - Durbin Briefing.docx, 2021.12.21 Durbin Letters.docx, 2021.12.22 - Grass ey

Letters.docx, Chair RM Briefings Tracker.docx

Hello Emily,

Following up on our conversation last week, I am attaching:

- 1. A current version of the Durbin letter tracker;
- 2. A current version of the Grassley letter tracker;
- 3. OLA's current briefings tracker; and
- 4. Draft response language for letters to be sent following a briefing.

I would like to discuss in particular the Durbin letter tracker this afternoon at our 3:30pm. I believe that in light of my phone call with Sara yesterday, it would be useful for me to send an email reiterating the responses we have provided to date.

Second, I know that you mentioned that these trackers should go in the DAG's binder. I would propose instead preparing two independent binders, one for Durbin and one for Grassley, containing the trackers up front (with any feedback from you re: formatting / style we want these to be as useful and user-friendly as possible) followed by the letters in reverse chronological order. Again, let's discuss at 3:30 if that works.

Finally, in re: the draft omnibus response to all outstanding Grassley letters I am running down one point with JMD re: the Special Counsel phones request. I hope to have a draft of that for you by tomorrow.

Thank you, Christina

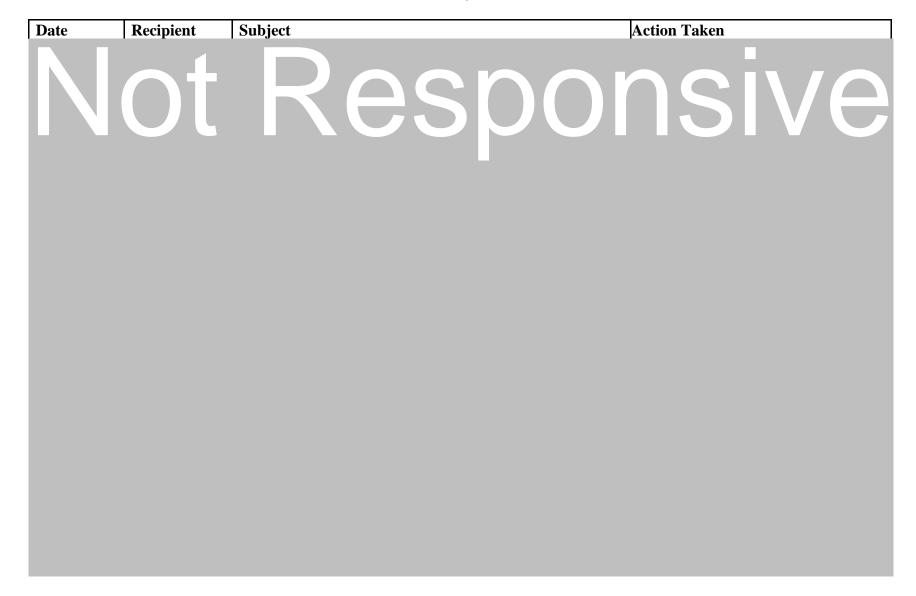
### **Christina Calce**

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# **Grassley Letter Tracker**

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**Date Action Taken** Recipient **Subject** tResponsive AG Garland Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to register under Response pending with NSD. 7/2/21 (with 4 **FARA** other R's) ot Responsive From: Hyun, Peter (OLA)

Subject: FW: Durbin/Grass ey etter trackers

To: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)

Sent: December 22, 2021 5:17 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: Draft Response - Durbin Briefing.docx, 2021.12.21 Durbin Letters.docx, 2021.12.22 - Grass ey

Letters.docx, Chair RM Briefings Tracker.docx

For book. Thanks!

Peter S. Hyun

Acting Assistant Attorney General

U.S. Department of Justice

Office of Legislative Affairs

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From: Calce, Christina M. (OLA) <(b) (6)

Sent: Wednesday, December 22, 2021 11:43 AM

**To:** Loeb, Emily M. (ODAG) **(b) (6)** 

**Cc:** Hyun, Peter (OLA) **(b) (6)** >; Lewis, Megan (ODAG) **(b) (6)** 

Subject: Durbin/Grassley letter trackers

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From: Schwartz, Leah F. (OLA)
Subject: Virtua binder for 12/23/21

To: Hyun, Peter (OLA)

**Sent:** December 22, 2021 6:23 PM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: TABLE OF CONTENTS.docx, 1.a PH Schedu e for 12.23.21.pdf, 1.b B ock Schedu e.pdf, 2.a DRAFT GAO

Cover Emai .docx, 2.b OLA Data for GAO 2012\_FOR FINAL REVIEW.xsx, 3.a Draft Response - Durbin Briefing.docx, 3.b 2021.12.21 Durbin Letters.docx, 3.c 2021.12.22 - Grass ey Letters.docx, 3.d Chair RM Briefings Tracker.docx, 4. OLA\_NSD Meeting Memo.docx, 5. For Signature\_OLA Bar Certification

Component 2021.pdf

Have a great night, Peter! Please let me know if you need anything further.

Best,

-Leah

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: SJC Hearing Prep

**To:** Johnson, Joanne E. (OLA)

**Sent:** January 3, 2022 11:32 AM (UTC-05:00)

Attached: 2021.12.22 - Grass ey Letters.docx, Chair RM Briefings Tracker.docx, 2021.12.21 Durbin Letters.docx,

2021.12.22-OUT-Grass ey-Schoo board poicies.pdf, 20211222 FBI Response to Rep Aderhot incoming

20211109.pdf, FBI testimony re schoo board memo today.em, 11.3.2021 HPSCI DT Briefing

Transcript.docx

### Hi Joanne:

The background material from the 10/27 AG oversight hearing is here: G:\OLA\AG HEARINGS\2021\10272021 Senate Oversight\From OAG OneDrive

The incoming chron, which should contain all the letters received over the last year, is here: <u>G:\OLA\2021 - 117th</u> <u>Correspondence\Incoming CHRON\2021</u>

The Excel letter trackers are here: G:\OLA\2021 - 117th Correspondence\Trackers, but note that I'm not entirely confident that these are fully up to date. Soraya is working on developing a new tracking system. Meanwhile, I'm attaching the Durbin/Grassley trackers that I put together. These should be up to date.

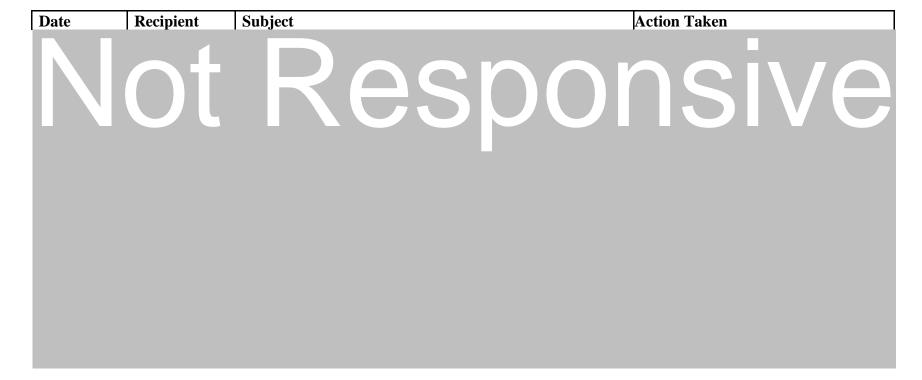
Finally, on the school boards issue: (1) I'm attaching samples of the responses that DOJ & FBI sent to those who wrote in about the school boards matter. Every Republican on SJC was sent identical versions of these. (2) I'm also attaching an email highlighting testimony from AD Langan before HPSCI on the school boards issue from early November, and the transcript of the full hearing.

I think this is everything we talked about, but let me know if you need anything else.

Thanks! Christina

# **Grassley Letter Tracker**

Current as of 12/20/21



Date	Recipient	Subject	Action Taken
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7/2/21	AG Garland	Asking why Al Jazeera is not required to register under	Response pending with NSD.
(with 4		FARA	
other R's)			

# Not Responsive

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: Trackers

To:

Haddad, Soraya (OLA) January 12, 2022 4:15 PM (UTC-05:00) Sent:

2022.1.3. Durbin Letter Tracker.docx, 2021.12.09 Grass ey Letters.docx Attached:

Attaching the trackers here. Thanks!

From: Ca ce, Christina M. (OLA)

Subject: Draft Grass ey Letter on Responsiveness

To: Loeb, Emi y M. (ODAG)
Cc: Hyun, Peter (OLA)

**Sent:** January 23, 2022 5:53 PM (UTC-05:00)

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Hi Emily,

I hope you had a good weekend. I'm attaching a draft response to Grassley summarizing our responsiveness and addressing his iterative letters (2022.1.20 Draft Response to Grassley Iterative Letters"). In addition, I'm attaching:

- 1. A Memo to file detailing the tick-tock for these letters, and containing an 11-page summary of the Department's responses to the letters in the binder produced at the AG's confirmation hearing;
- 2. Grassley's 10/22/21 letter on DT & DOJ Politicization, and our 10/19/21 response that responded to his prior letter on this issue;
- 3. Grassley's 11/10/21 (b)(6) per NSD / McQuaid redux letter, along with two prior responses to Grassley letters on McQuaid (2/9/21 and 3/22/21) and our prior response to his letter on (b)(6) per NSD (7/13/21);
- 4. Grassley's 11/15/21 letter on the Hunter Biden / China allegations, along with our 7/12/21 response to his original letter on this matter;
- 5. Grassley's 7/12/21 letter on the Special Counsel phone records, along with our original 5/18/21 response and a 5/11/21 OIG response that we enclosed;
- 6. Grassley's 7/28/21 letter on the nursing homes investigation, and our 7/23/21 response to his original letter;
- 7. A Grassley letter tracker; and
- 8. A 9/4/20 FOIA release in response to a Judicial Watch request for records re: Lisa Page / Peter Strzok communications. OLA proposes producing the final 53-87 pages of this with the response to Grassley. (This is discussed in more detail in the Memo to File.)

Let me know if you need any additional info.

Thanks, Christina

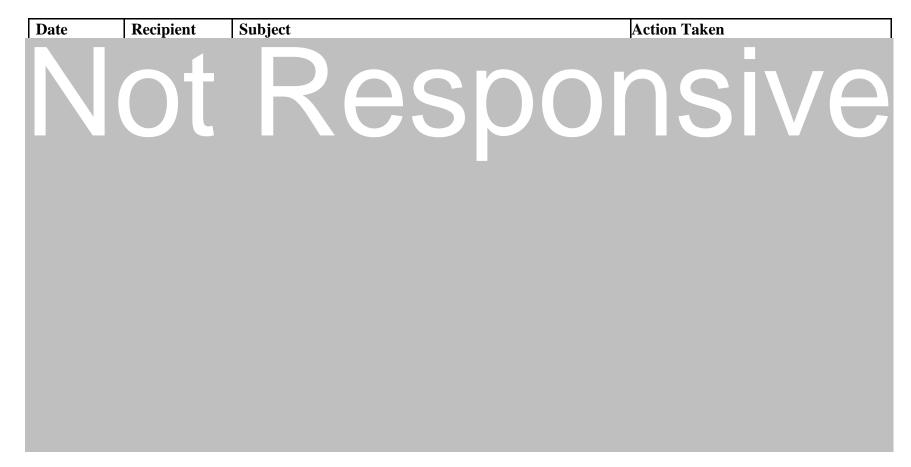
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# **Grassley Letter Tracker**

Current as of 1/20/21



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