



Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
U.S. House of Representatives
September 24, 2019

Mr. Andrew P. Bakaj
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Dear Mr. Bakaj:

I received your letter today to Acting Director of National Intelligence Joseph Maguire, in which you provided formal notice of the intent of your client, a member of the Intelligence Community who reported an “urgent concern” to the Inspector General of the Intelligence Community (“IC IG”) on August 12, 2019 (“Complaint”), to contact the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (“Committee”) directly. In that letter, you requested direction from the Acting Director in order to do so in accordance with appropriate security practices, as set forth in 50 U.S.C. § 3033(k)(5)(D)(ii)(II).

In light of your notice of intent to the Acting Director of National Intelligence, the Committee requests a voluntary interview with your client on Thursday, September 26, 2019, in the afternoon, following the public testimony of Acting Director Maguire before the Committee. The Committee is prepared to work with you to identify a secure location and format that preserves your client’s privacy and ensures protection from reprisal, or threat of reprisal.

It is the Committee’s expectation that, in light of your formal notice, the Acting Director must now cease withholding from the Committee your client’s Complaint, along with the IC IG’s credibility determination, and provide your client immediately with all necessary direction to communicate directly with the Committee about all of the information in the Complaint, as required under the statute.

In order to make further arrangements for your client’s interview, please contact the Committee’s General Counsel.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Adam B. Schiff', written over a blue ink scribble.

Adam B. Schiff
Chairman

Cc: The Honorable Joseph Maguire
Acting Director, Office of the Director of National Intelligence