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

March 1, 2022

VIA ELECTRONIC AND U.S. MAIL

Kurt Olsen



Dear Mr. Olsen:

Pursuant to the authorities set forth in House Resolution 503 and the rules of the House of Representatives, the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol (“Select Committee”) hereby transmits a subpoena that compels you to produce the documents set forth in the accompanying schedule by March 15, 2022, and to appear for a deposition on March 24, 2022.

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

The Select Committee’s investigation has revealed credible evidence that you publicly promoted claims that the 2020 presidential election was fraudulent and participated in attempts to disrupt or delay the certification of the results. For example, just days before the January 6th attack on the U.S. Capitol, you contacted various high-level officials at the Department of Justice at the former President’s “direct[ion]” to discuss filing a last-minute challenge to the election based on a similar case that the Supreme Court had already rejected.¹ In addition, you reportedly prepared a draft executive order for former President Trump that would have directed the U.S. Department of Justice “to take voter action,”² and, according to materials on file with the Select Committee, you had multiple telephone calls with former President Trump on January 6, 2021.³

¹ Documents on File with the Select Committee; *see also Trump Asked His AG about Legal Strategy to Overturn Election, Rosen Tells Senators*, Politico (Aug. 10, 2021), available at <https://www.politico.com/news/2021/08/10/trump-asked-ag-overturn-election-503341>.

² Michael Wolff, *LANDSLIDE: THE FINAL DAYS OF THE TRUMP PRESIDENCY* (2021) 126.

³ Documents on File with the Select Committee.

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

Sincerely,

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

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman