

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY,  
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES,  
2138 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515,

*Plaintiff,*

v.

DONALD F. MCGAHN II,  
51 Louisiana Avenue, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20001,

*Defendant.*

Case No. 1:19-cv-2379

**Exhibit J**

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

March 22, 2019

The Honorable William P. Barr  
Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Attorney General Barr:

We understand that Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller III has now concluded his investigation of the Russian government's efforts to interfere in the 2016 election and of "any links and/or coordination between the Russian government and individuals associated with the campaign of President Donald Trump."<sup>1</sup> We also understand that Special Counsel Mueller has issued a report to you pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 600.8(c).

We ask that you immediately take steps to preserve (1) Special Counsel Mueller's report; (2) all evidence underlying the report; and (3) all related work product and investigatory materials compiled by the Special Counsel's Office. This request applies to all documents, records, memoranda, correspondence, or other communications, or any portion thereof relevant to the work of the Special Counsel's Office. We remind you that concealing, removing, or destroying such records may constitute a crime.<sup>2</sup>

Committees of the United States Congress are conducting investigations parallel to those of the Special Counsel's Office, and preservation of these records is critical to ensure that we are able to do our work without interference or delay. We therefore ask that you immediately confirm that the Department of Justice is preserving these records and that you provide us with all orders, notices, and guidance regarding preservation of information related to these matters and investigations.

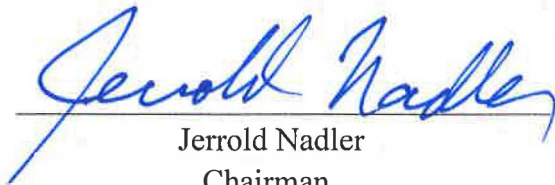
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<sup>1</sup> *Appointment of Special Counsel to Investigate Russian Interference with the 2016 Presidential Election and Related Matters*, Order No. 3915-2017, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, May 17, 2017.

<sup>2</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 2071.

We look forward to your prompt attention and response to our request.

Sincerely,



Jerrold Nadler  
Chairman  
House Committee on the Judiciary



Dianne Feinstein  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on the Judiciary



Adam Schiff  
Chairman  
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence



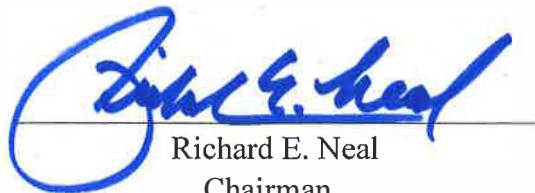
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Senate Select Committee on Intelligence



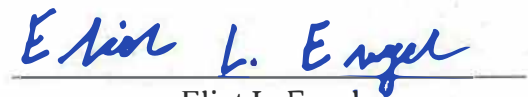
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Chairman  
House Committee on Oversight and Reform



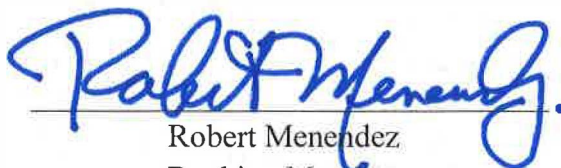
Maxine Waters  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Financial Services



Richard E. Neal  
Chairman  
House Committee on Ways and Means



Eliot L. Engel  
Chairman  
House Committee on Foreign Affairs



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Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations



Ron Wyden  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Finance



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