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The Honorable Jerrold L. Nadler Chairman Committee on the Judiciary U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Nadler:

The Biden border crisis continues to worsen. Americans have been shocked to witness scenes such as those playing out in Del Rio, Texas, where thousands of illegal aliens have surged to the border as a result of President Biden's radical immigration policies. Yet, despite the urgency of this situation, the House Judiciary Committee has yet to address the unfolding crisis.

Republicans have repeatedly urged the Committee to examine the Biden border crisis. On April 15, 2021, Ranking Member Jordan wrote to you requesting that you invite Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas to testify about the Biden Administration's failure to secure the border. You did not respond.

On March 4, 2021, Ranking Member McClintock and the Republican Members of the Immigration Subcommittee wrote to Immigration Subcommittee Chair Lofgren and on March 18, 2021, Ranking Member Biggs and the Republican Members of the Crime Subcommittee wrote to Crime Subcommittee Chair Jackson Lee requesting hearings on the Biden border crisis.² Neither Chair Lofgren nor Chair Jackson Lee responded.

It has been 241 days since President Biden was inaugurated. Republicans on the Committee have repeatedly sought information and material from the Biden Administration

¹ Letter from Jim Jordan, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Jerrold L. Nadler, Chairman, H. Comm on the Judiciary (Apr. 15, 2021), https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/04/2021-04-15-JDJ-to-Nadler-re-Mayorkas.pdf.

² Letter from Tom McClintock et al., Ranking Member, S. Comm. on Immigration and Citizenship, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Zoe Lofgren, Chair, S. Comm. on Immigration and Citizenship, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, (Mar. 4, 2021), https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-03-04-GOP-Imm.-to-Lofgren-re-border-hearing.pdf; Letter from Andy Biggs et al., Ranking Member, S. Comm. on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Sheila Jackson Lee, Chair, S. Comm. on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, H. Comm. on the Judiciary (Mar. 18, 2021), https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-03-18-GOP-Crime-to-SJL-re-hearing.pdf.

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about the border crisis, including answers from Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas.³ To date, we have received no substantive response.

As the Secretary of Homeland Security, Secretary Mayorkas is the cabinet official primarily responsible for implementing the Biden Administration's immigration policies. As the Committee of jurisdiction, his testimony before our committee is imperative. We urge you again to invite Secretary Mayorkas to testify before our Committee immediately.

Sincerely,

Jim Jordan Ranking Member Tom McClintock Ranking Member

Subcommittee on Immigration

and Citizenship

Andy Biggs

Ranking Member

Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and

Homeland Security

cc: The Honorable Zoe Lofgren, Chair, Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship The Honorable Sheila Jackson Lee, Chair, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

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³ Letter from Jim Jordan, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary and Tom McClintock, Ranking Member, S. Comm on Immigration and Citizenship, H. Comm on the Judiciary, to Alejandro Mayorkas, Sec'y, Dep't of Homeland Security (Mar. 30, 2021), https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/Jordan-to-Mayorkas69.pdf; Letter from Jim Jordan, Ranking Member. H. Comm. on the Judiciary, John Katko, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on Homeland Security, James Comer, Ranking Member, H. Comm on Oversight and Reform, to Kamala Harris, Vice President of the United States (Apr. 19, 2021); https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wpcontent/uploads/2021/04/2021-04-19-JDJ-Katko-Comer-to-VP-Harris-re-border-crisis.pdf; Letter from Jim Jordan, Ranking Member. H. Comm. on the Judiciary, John Katko, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on Homeland Security, James Comer, Ranking Member, H. Comm on Oversight and Reform, to Alejandro Mayorkas, Sec'y, Dep't of Homeland Security (May 25, 2021), https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/2021-05-25-JDJ-Katko-Comer-to-Mayorkas-re-Title-42-Exemption-Criteria.pdf; Letter from Jim Jordan, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary and Tom McClintock, Ranking Member, S. Comm on Immigration and Citizenship, H. Comm on the Judiciary, to Alejandro Mayorkas, Sec'y, Dep't of Homeland Security (Jul. 1, 2021), https://republicans-judiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021-07-01-JDJ-TM-to-Mayorkas-retestifying.pdf; Letter from Jim Jordan, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, Tom McClintock, Ranking Member, S. Comm on Immigration and Citizenship, H. Comm on the Judiciary, Matthew Rosendale, Sr., Member of Congress, to Alejandro Mayorkas, Sec'y, Dep't of Homeland Security (Aug. 2, 2021), https://republicansjudiciary.house.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2021-08-02-JDJ-TM-MR-to-Mayorkas-re-Whistleblower.pdf.