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## **MEMORANDUM**

## September 19, 2022

- To: Members of the Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy
- Fr: Subcommittee Staff
- Re: Hearing on "Power and Profiteering: How Certain Industries Hiked Prices, Fleeced Consumers, and Drove Inflation"

On <u>Thursday, September 22, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. ET</u>, the Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy will hold a hybrid hearing in <u>room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office</u> <u>Building and on the Zoom video platform</u> to examine corporate profiteering and its effects on inflation.

#### I. PURPOSE OF THE HEARING

The hearing will examine how certain industries have used their market power to drive inflation to 40-year high levels that cannot be explained solely by traditional supply-and-demand factors.

#### II. WITNESSES

#### **Robert B. Reich**

Carmel P. Friesen Professor of Public Policy The Goldman School of Public Policy University of California, Berkeley

#### Mike Konczal

Director, Macroeconomic Analysis Roosevelt Institute

#### Rakeen Mabud, Ph.D.

Chief Economist and Managing Director of Policy and Research Groundwork Collaborative

#### Additional witnesses to be announced.

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