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The Honorable Avril Haines
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Washington, D.C. 20511

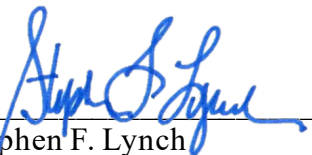
Dear Director Haines:

On May 26, 2021, President Biden announced that he had asked the Intelligence Community (IC) to “redouble their efforts” to investigate the origins of the coronavirus pandemic and to provide a follow-up report within 90 days.¹ President Biden further directed the IC to “keep Congress fully apprised of its work.”² That 90-day review period concludes on August 26, 2021, and recent reporting suggests the IC is drafting both classified and unclassified reports of its findings.³

We respectfully request that the IC produce to the Subcommittee on National Security an unredacted copy of the classified IC report once it is completed.

The Committee on Oversight and Reform is the principal oversight committee of the House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate “any matter” at “any time” under House Rule X. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Subcommittee staff at (202) 225-5051. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Stephen F. Lynch
Chairman
Subcommittee on National Security



Glenn Grothman
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on National Security

¹ White House, *Statement by President Joe Biden on the Investigations into the Origins of COVID-19* (May 26, 2021) (online at www.whitehouse.gov/briefing-room/statements-releases/2021/05/26/statement-by-president-joe-biden-on-the-investigation-into-the-origins-of-covid-19/).

² *Id.*

³ *Intel Officials Draft Classified Report as They Near Finish of 90-Day Covid Probe*, CNN (Aug. 11, 2021) (online at www.cnn.com/2021/08/11/politics/classified-report-covid-origins-under-review-90-day-probe/index.html).