

**Rosenstein, Rod (ODAG)**

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**From:** Rosenstein, Rod (ODAG)  
**Sent:** Saturday, June 23, 2018 1:58 PM  
**To:** Bolitho, Zachary (ODAG)  
**Cc:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG); Hamilton, Gene (OAG); Lan, Iris (ODAG); Whitaker, Matthew (OAG)  
**Subject:** Re: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily

I spoke with USA Williams, who has a conference call with FPS and other agencies at 2:00 our time.

The tentative plan is to assem (b)(7)(E) per FPS FPS officers on Monday, then give warnings and be prepared to issue citations and make arrests as necessary if anyone blocks access to the federal buildin (b)(7)(E) per FPS

However, action might be required on Sunday instead, given report of protests planned tomorrow, if there are enough law enforcement agents to mount the sustained protection that will be required given the large crowds in the area.

On Jun 23, 2018, at 1:47 PM, Bolitho, Zachary (ODAG (b) (6) wrote:

I've been in contact with USMS, DEA, and ATF. They are standing by to help, but have been told they're not needed by DHS.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 23, 2018, at 1:34 PM, O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG (b) (6) wrote:

Iris is in touch with USA. Bowdich confirmed FBI continues to provide assistance.

Edward C. O'Callaghan

(b) (6)

On Jun 23, 2018, at 1:30 PM, Hamilton, Gene (OAG (b) (6) wrote:

Gene P. Hamilton  
Counselor to the Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Homan, Thomas" (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Date:** June 23, 2018 at 1:23:33 PM EDT  
**To:** Gene Hamilto (b) (6)  
**Subject:** FW: Fwd: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily

We need to ensure that USAs will prosecute anyone arrested for trespass and destruction of government property to the fullest extent of the law

Sent with BlackBerry Work  
([www.blackberry.com](http://www.blackberry.com))

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**From:** Albence, Matthew (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Date:** Friday, Jun 22, 2018, 10:25 PM  
**To:** Homan, Thoma (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE >, Edge, Peter (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Cc:** Blank, Thomas (b)(6) per ICE  
**Subject:** FW: Fwd: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily

This is ridiculous

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**From:** Asher, Nathalie R (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Date:** Friday, Jun 22, 2018, 9:15 PM  
**To:** Albence, Matthe (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Cc:** Jennings, David (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Subject:** FW: Fwd: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily

To be expected.....sadly.

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([www.blackberry.com](http://www.blackberry.com))

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**From** (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Date:** Friday, Jun 22, 2018, 9:09 PM  
**T** (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE Asher,  
Nathalie R (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**C** (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
**Subject:** FW: Fwd: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily

FYSA

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**From:** Williams, Bill (USAOR) (b) (6)  
**Date:** Friday, Jun 22, 2018, 17:55  
**T** (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FPS (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FPS, Asphaug, Scott  
(USAOR (b) (6) >, Holsinger, Pamala (USAOR)  
(b) (6) >, Gabriel, Craig (USAOR)  
(b) (6) >  
**Subject:** Fwd: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily

Billy J. Williams  
United States Attorney  
District of Oregon

Begin forwarded message:

From: littleittybitty  
(b) (6)  
Date: June 22, 2018 at 4:36:06 PM PDT  
To:  
"CommunityRelations.Seatt (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
<CommunityRelations.Seatt (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
"ICEMed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
<ICEMed (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
"Seattle.Outrea (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
<Seattle.Outrea (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per ICE  
(b)(6): Kevin Sonoff email address  
(b)(6): Bill Williams email address  
"loren.cannon@ic.fbi.gov<mailto:loren.cannon@ic.fbi.gov>"  
<loren.cannon@ic.fbi.gov<mailto:loren.cannon@ic.fbi.gov>>,"  
"Outreach.PD@ic.fbi.gov<mailto:Outreach.PD@ic.fbi.gov>"  
<Outreach.PD@ic.fbi.gov<mailto:Outreach.PD@ic.fbi.gov>>  
Subject: Portland ICE Facility breached and being vandalized heavily  
Reply-To: littleittybitty  
(b) (6)

Antifa at the Portland ICE Facility have scaled the fences and entered the secure perimeter of the federal facility even removing the American flag and burning it. They also taped an Antifa flag over a window within the secure perimeter.

Photos of Antifa removing the flag:

<https://twitter.com/itsmikebivins/status/1010282306278313985>

Video with background showing Antifa flag covering ICE windows within the secure perimeter:

[https://twitter.com/Kelly\\_Kenoyer/status/1010298429765906432](https://twitter.com/Kelly_Kenoyer/status/1010298429765906432)

Graffiti on ICE Facility:

<https://twitter.com/itsmikebivins/status/1009636190637551616>

<https://twitter.com/itsmikebivins/status/1009619067160879104>

Misc photos and video:

<https://twitter.com/JennHoffKOIN6/status/1010277823813070848>

<https://twitter.com/KozosN/status/1010294119552331776>

<https://twitter.com/BashfulBulba/status/1010268161411674112>

<https://twitter.com/thecolorifix/status/1010281035999768576>

<https://twitter.com/Anarkitt/status/1010282406736117760>

[https://twitter.com/Kelly\\_Kenoyer/status/1010287299014189061](https://twitter.com/Kelly_Kenoyer/status/1010287299014189061)

[https://twitter.com/wallace\\_milner/status/1010267703276285952](https://twitter.com/wallace_milner/status/1010267703276285952)

[https://twitter.com/Alison\\_Kinney/status/1010203146667212800](https://twitter.com/Alison_Kinney/status/1010203146667212800)

<https://twitter.com/Hobofett360/status/1010220645215395840>

<https://twitter.com/BashfulBulba/status/1009465876964204544>

[https://twitter.com/cascadia\\_coug/status/1010299708194021376](https://twitter.com/cascadia_coug/status/1010299708194021376)

<https://twitter.com/itsmikebivins/status/1010265349235736576>

<https://twitter.com/itsmikebivins/status/1009703019816996864>

**From:** Rabbitt, Brian (OAG)  
**Subject:** March 24 2019 Supplemental Notification Letter  
**To:** (b)(6); Emmet Flood (WHCO)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:32 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

Emmet – Please see the attached courtesy copy.

Brian C. Rabbitt  
Chief of Staff  
Office of the Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
T: (b) (6)  
M: (b) (6)  
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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. \ (OLA)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC  
**To:** Abegg, John \ (McConnell)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:32 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:31 PM  
**To:** Holmes, Lee (Judiciary-Rep) (b) (6) <(b)(6) Lee Holmes >;  
'Duck, Jennifer (Judiciary-Dem)' <(b) (6) >; 'Sawyer, Heather (Judiciary-Dem'  
<(b) (6) >; 'Hiller, Aaron' <(b) (6) >;  
'(b)(6) Carlton Davis' <(b)(6) Carlton Davis >; 'Parmiter, Robert'  
<(b) (6) >; 'Apelbaum, Perry' <(b) (6) >  
**Cc:** 'Lasseter, David F. (OLA)' (b) (6) <(b)(6) David Lasseter>  
**Subject:** Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC

Dear Colleagues:

As a supplement to our notification provided on Friday, March 22, 2019, please find the attached letter from the Attorney General advising of the principal conclusions reached by Special Counsel Robert Mueller.

Very truly yours,

Stephen

**Stephen E. Boyd**  
Assistant Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:03 PM  
**To:** Holmes, Lee (Judiciary-Rep) (b) (6) <(b)(6) >;  
'Duck, Jennifer (Judiciary-Dem)' (b) (6) <(b)(6) >; 'Sawyer, Heather (Judiciary-Dem)  
(b) (6) <(b)(6) >; 'Hiller, Aaron' (b) (6) <(b)(6) >;  
'carlton.davis@mail.house.gov' (b) (6) <(b)(6) >; 'Parmiter, Robert'  
(b) (6) <(b)(6) >; 'Apelbaum, Perry' (b) (6) <(b)(6) >  
**Subject:** Heads Up

As a professional courtesy, I am letting you know that you should expect information from the Department in approximately 30 to 45 minutes from now. SB

**Stephen E. Boyd**  
Assistant Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. \ (OLA\  
**Subject:** FW: Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC  
**To:** Sutton, Thomas D. \ (OLA\  
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<(b) (6)> >; 'Hiller, Aaron' <(b) (6)> >;  
'(b)(6) Carlton Davis' <(b)(6) Carlton Davis >; 'Parmiter, Robert'  
<(b) (6)> >; 'Apelbaum, Perry' <(b) (6)> >  
**Cc:** 'Lasseter, David F. (OLA) <(b) (6)>' <David Lasseter >  
**Subject:** Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. \ (OLA\  
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**To:** Sutton, Thomas D. \ (OLA\  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:34 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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Just ignore that Tom. Sorry. SB

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:32 PM  
**To:** Sutton, Thomas D. (OLA) <(b) (6)>; Kerri Kupec (OPA) ((b) (6))  
<(b)(6) Kerri Kupec>  
**Subject:** FW: Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC

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**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:31 PM  
**To:** Holmes, Lee (Judiciary-Rep) ((b) (6)) <(b)(6) Lee Holmes>;  
'Duck, Jennifer (Judiciary-Dem)' <(b) (6)>; 'Sawyer, Heather (Judiciary-Dem'  
<(b) (6)>; 'Hiller, Aaron' <(b) (6)>;  
(b)(6) Carlton Davis <(b)(6) Carlton Davis>; 'Parmiter, Robert'  
<(b) (6)>; 'Apelbaum, Perry' <(b) (6)>  
**Cc:** 'Lasseter, David F. (OLA) ((b) (6))' <(b)(6) David Lasseter>  
**Subject:** Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** Justice Beat Reporters: DOJ Letter to Congress Regarding the Principal Conclusions of the Mueller Investigation  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:37 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

See attached.

**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. \ (OLA)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter from the AG to SJC and HJC  
**To:** Antell, Kira M. \ (OLA)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:39 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:38 PM  
**To:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA) (b) (6)  
**cc:** (b)(6): Robert Bonner (House) > (b)(6): Matthew Smith (House)  
> (b)(6): Jeff Ashford (House)  
(b)(6): Stephanie Gadbois (House) ; 'Reil, Brian' (b) (6)  
(b)(6): John Abegg (Senate) > (b)(6): Sharon Soderstrom (Senate)  
(b)(6): Mike Lynch (Senate)  
> (b)(6): Terri McCullough (House)  
(b)(6): Michael Tecklenberg (House) (b)(6): James Min (House)  
(b)(6): Will Dunham (House)  
(b)(6): Amber Beck (Senate) Bloom, Hamilton (Appropriations)  
(b) (6) (b)(6): Jennifer Eskra (Senate)  
(b)(6): Jean Toll Eisen (Senate)  
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Assistant Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** Letter  
**To:** Sanders, Sarah H. EOP/WHO  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:42 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** Letter  
**To:** Carr, Peter \ (OPA); Hornbuckle, Wyn \ (OPA)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:44 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Subject:** FW: Review  
**To:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:46 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:09 PM  
**To:** Brian Rabbitt ((b) (6)) <(b)(6) Brian Rabbitt>  
**Subject:** Review

Take a look. SB

**Stephen E. Boyd**  
Assistant Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** Letter  
**To:** Raimondi, Marc \ (OPA)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:48 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

See attached.

**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**From:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. \ (ODAG\  
**Subject:** Letter  
**To:** AMZ  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:48 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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**Edward C. O'Callaghan**

Principal Associate Deputy Attorney General  
United States Department of Justice

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \(\OPA\)  
**Subject:** Letter  
**To:** Sutton, Sarah E. \(\OPA\); Laco, Kelly \(\OPA\)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:49 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)\  
**Subject:** RE: Hi Kerri - can we be on any release of the report? Thank you!  
**To:** Greg Walters  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 3:59 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

Yes. Letter attached.

**From:** Greg Walters <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:16 PM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Hi Kerri - can we be on any release of the report? Thank you!

Would really appreciate it!

Greg

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**GREG WALTERS**

Reporter

[VICE News](#)

Land: (b) (6)

Cell: (b) (6)

**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Pls send me Barr letter when it's out. Thanks  
**To:** Brune, Tom  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:00 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

Attached.

-----Original Message-----

From: Brune, Tom <(b) (6)>  
Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:21 PM  
To: Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
Subject: Pls send me Barr letter when it's out. Thanks

Tom Brune  
Washington Bureau  
Newsday  
529 14th St. NW  
Suite 1001  
Office: (b) (6)  
Mobile: (b) (6)  
@TomBruneDC

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA\  
**Subject:** RE: Report  
**To:** Stephen Sanchez  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:01 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

[Letter attached.](#)

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**From:** Stephen Sanchez <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 2:54 PM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Report

Hey Kerri,

Hope your weekend is going well. I'm seeing reports that the Department had informed Congress it will release the preliminary findings by 5 PM today — could you confirm?

Thanks,  
**Stephen Sanchez**  
Sinclair Broadcast Group  
@SSanchezTV

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA\  
**Subject:** RE: Mueller report Sunday  
**To:** Tierney Sneed  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:01 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

Letter attached.

**From:** Tierney Sneed <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 2:53 PM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Mueller report Sunday

Hi Kerri,

If the DOJ is planning on sending out the Mueller report summary it is delivering to Congress today, please send over to me. Also, is there any plans to brief Congress on the summary?

Thanks,  
Tierney

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Tierney Sneed  
Talking Points Memo  
(b) (6) ext (b) (6)  
[@tierney\\_megan](mailto:@tierney_megan)

**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** DOJ Letter to Congress Regarding the Principal Conclusions of the Mueller Investigation  
**To:** wnbrequest@hearst.com  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:03 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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See attached.

**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Barr's report - today?  
**To:** Kadhim Shubber  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:04 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

Letter attached.

-----Original Message-----

From: Kadhim Shubber <(b) (6)>  
Sent: Sunday, March 24, 2019 1:29 PM  
To: Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>; Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
Subject: Barr's report - today?

Hi Kerri, Wyn,

I'm just seeing the lines on Bloomberg and elsewhere that the AG's report is still expected today. Would you be able to confirm that for me?

Thanks for your help.

Kadhim

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Kadhim Shubber  
US Legal and Enforcement correspondent  
Financial Times

Cell: (b) (6)  
Office: (b) (6)

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Please keep me in loop on release of "principal conclusions"  
**To:** Brune, Tom  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:05 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf  
[Letter attached.](#)

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**From:** Brune, Tom <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 10:24 AM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Please keep me in loop on release of "principal conclusions"

Kerri -

I'm working today and would appreciate being kept in the mix on whatever the attorney general releases.

Do you know if he will release something today?

Thanks

Tom

Tom Brune  
Washington Bureau Chief  
Newsday  
529 14th St. NW  
Suite 1001  
Washington DC 20045  
Phone: (b) (6)  
(b) (6)  
@TomBruneDC

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Mueller findings  
**To:** Morgan Chalfant  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:07 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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Letter attached.

-----Original Message-----

From: Morgan Chalfant <(b) (6)>  
Sent: Saturday, March 23, 2019 8:31 PM  
To: Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
Cc: Sutton, Sarah E. (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
Subject: Re: Mueller findings

Thank you very much! Really appreciate it.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Mar 23, 2019, at 8:29 PM, Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)> wrote:

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> Yes, will do!

>

> Sent from my iPhone

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>> On Mar 23, 2019, at 6:54 PM, Morgan Chalfant <(b) (6)> wrote:

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>> Hey Kerri,

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>> I'm so sorry to be emailing you on a Saturday evening. I wanted to reach out and see if it's possible to get on any reporter email list that receives the AG's summary of special counsel Mueller's findings tomorrow or whenever they come. I know The Hill does not have a credentialed DOJ reporter but we've obviously been following this closely and have a large audience interested in it, so I would appreciate it.

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>> Let me know if this is possible. Again – sorry about interrupting your Saturday! Let me know if there is someone else I should email about this.

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>> Morgan

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>> Sent from my iPhone

**From:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG)  
**Subject:** RE: Signed Letter  
**To:** Weinsheimer, Bradley (ODAG); Rosenstein, Rod (ODAG)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:08 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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Edward C. O'Callaghan

(b) (6)

**From:** Hornbuckle, Wyn \(\OPA\)  
**Subject:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf  
**To:** (b)(6). (b)(7)(C) per FBI (DO\ \(\FBI\)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:09 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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**From:** Hornbuckle, Wyn \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf  
**To:** Kadhim Shubber  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:10 PM (UTC-04:00)  
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**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA\  
**Subject:** RE: On duty today  
**To:** ODonnell, Kelly \ (NBCUniversal\  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:11 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

Letter attached.

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**From:** ODonnell, Kelly (NBCUniversal) <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Saturday, March 23, 2019 10:16 AM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** On duty today

Kerri,

Hope you are doing well.

I'm in Florida on duty covering the president and will be reporting any DoJ developments that may come today.

If you can offer any update on what to expect, I'd appreciate it.

KellyO

*Kelly O'Donnell*  
*White House Correspondent*  
*NBC News*  
*Mobile:* (b) (6)

*Twitter:* @KellyO  
*Instagram* @TheKellyO

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Kupec, Kerri \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** RE: Principle Conclusion letter  
**To:** Nicholas Watkins  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:21 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

See attached.

**From:** Nicholas Watkins <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:41 PM  
**To:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Principle Conclusion letter

Hello,

Could you pass along the AG's letter on the SC's principle conclusions?

Thanks,

Nicholas Watkins

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Nicholas Ozaki Watkins  
Producer  
Tokyo Broadcasting System  
Washington, DC Bureau  
Office: (b) (6)  
Cell: (b) (6)



**From:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG)  
**Subject:** Letter  
**To:** Ellis, Corey F. (ODAG); Peterson, Andrew (ODAG)  
**Sent:** March 24, 2019 4:37 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf

**Edward C. O'Callaghan**

Principal Associate Deputy Attorney General  
United States Department of Justice

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(c) (b) (6) [REDACTED]

**From:** Hiller, Aaron  
**Subject:** FW: Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller  
**To:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** March 25, 2019 5:37 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** 2019-03-25 Letter to AG Barr Re Special Counsel.pdf

Do you have a minute to chat tonight? It can be later.

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**From:** Emmons, William <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 5:22 PM  
**To:** 'doj.correspondence@usdoj.gov' <doj.correspondence@usdoj.gov>; (b)(6) David Lasseter '  
<(b)(6) David Lasseter >; (b)(6) Stephen Boyd ' (b)(6) Stephen Boyd >  
**Cc:** Hiller, Aaron <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller

Please see the attached correspondence from Chairman Jerrold Nadler and other senior Democratic members of the House pertaining to the report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller.

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

March 25, 2019

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

Dear Attorney General Barr:

Your March 24 letter concerning Special Counsel Mueller's report leaves open many questions concerning the conduct of the President and his closest advisors, as well as that of the Russian government during the 2016 presidential election. Accordingly, we formally request that you release the Special Counsel's full report to Congress no later than Tuesday, April 2. We also ask that you begin transmitting the underlying evidence and materials to the relevant committees at that time.

As you know, on March 14, the full House of Representatives approved H. Con. Res. 24, calling for the release of the Special Counsel's report by a vote of 420-0.<sup>1</sup> Each of our committees is currently engaged in oversight activities that go directly to the President's conduct, his attempts to interfere with federal and congressional investigations, his relationships and communications with the Russian government and other foreign powers, and/or other alleged instances of misconduct.

Your four-page summary of the Special Counsel's review is not sufficient for Congress, as a coequal branch of government, to perform this critical work. The release of the full report and the underlying evidence and documents is urgently needed by our committees to perform their duties under the Constitution. Those duties include evaluating the underlying facts and determining whether legislative or other reforms are required—both to ensure that the Justice

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<sup>1</sup> Roll Call Vote No. 125, 116th Cong., Mar. 14, 2019.

Department is able to carry out investigations without interference or obstruction by the President and to protect our future elections from foreign interference.

First, Congress must be permitted to make an independent assessment of the evidence regarding obstruction of justice. The determinations you have reached regarding obstruction and the manner in which you chose to characterize the Special Counsel's investigation only raise further questions, particularly in light of the Special Counsel's decision to refrain from making "a traditional prosecutorial judgment."<sup>2</sup> We also cannot evaluate your determination that "the report identifies no actions" that meet the elements of obstruction in the absence of the report, evidence and other materials.<sup>3</sup>

Second, we have no reason to question that Special Counsel Mueller made a well-considered prosecutorial judgment in two specific and narrow areas—whether the Trump campaign conspired to join Russia's election-related online disinformation and hacking and dissemination efforts. But it is vital for national security purposes that Congress be able to evaluate the full body of facts and evidence collected and evaluated by the Special Counsel, including all information gathered of a counterintelligence nature.

The provision of the report—in complete and unredacted form—and the underlying evidence and materials would be fully consistent with the Justice Department's practice and precedent with Congress, which the Department reinforced in recent years. With respect to the Hillary Clinton email investigation, the Department and the FBI released more than 880,000 pages of documents, publicly identified career officials involved in the case, and produced volumes of internal deliberative materials, including sensitive investigatory and classified materials.<sup>4</sup> In response to congressional requests and subpoenas regarding allegations of bias in the Russia investigation, the Department produced to congressional committees thousands of pages of highly sensitive law enforcement and classified investigatory and deliberative records related to that investigation—which remained open and ongoing at the time. Moreover, the Department produced to congressional committees in full, and then took the unprecedented step of releasing to the public in redacted form, multiple documents related to the surveillance of a United States person under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> Letter from U.S. Attorney General William Barr to Chairman Jerrold Nadler, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, et al., Mar. 24, 2019.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*


<sup>4</sup> See, e.g., *A Review of Allegations Regarding Various Actions by the Federal Bureau of Investigation and Department of Justice in Advance of the 2016 Election*, hearing before the H. Comm. on the Judiciary, June 28, 2018 (statement of FBI Director Christopher Wray).

<sup>5</sup> Byron Tau, et al., *Trump Orders Declassification of Intelligence Documents Related to Former Adviser Carter Page*, WALL ST. JOURNAL, Sept. 17, 2018.




We look forward to receiving the report in full no later than April 2, and to begin receiving the underlying evidence and documents that same day.<sup>6</sup> To the extent that you believe applicable law limits your ability to comply, we urge you to begin the process of consultation with us immediately in order to establish shared parameters for resolving those issues without delay.


Sincerely,

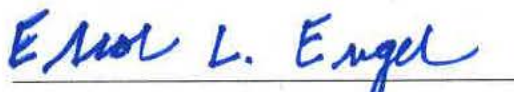
  
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Jerrold Nadler  
Chairman  
House Committee on the Judiciary

  
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Elijah E. Cummings  
Chairman  
House Committee on Oversight and Reform

  
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Adam Schiff  
Chairman  
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

  
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Maxine Waters  
Chairwoman  
House Committee on Financial Services

  
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Richard E. Neal  
Chairman  
House Committee on Ways and Means

  
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Eliot L. Engel  
Chairman  
House Committee on Foreign Affairs

<sup>6</sup> As to materials that are subject to Rule 6(e) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, there is precedent for the release of such materials to Congress under similar circumstances. We look forward to discussing this issue to determine if we can reach a mutually acceptable accommodation.

**From:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG)  
**Subject:** Fwd: Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller  
**To:** Rosenstein, Rod (ODAG); Peterson, Andrew (ODAG)  
**Sent:** March 25, 2019 6:09 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** 2019-03-25 Letter to AG Barr Re Special Counsel.pdf, ATT00001.htm

Edward C. O'Callaghan

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Lasseter, David F. (OLA)" <(b) (6)>  
**Date:** March 25, 2019 at 5:45:42 PM EDT  
**To:** "O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG)" <(b) (6)>, "Weinsheimer, Bradley (ODAG)" <(b) (6)>, "Rabbitt, Brian (OAG)" <(b) (6)>, "Kupec, Kerri (OPA)" <(b) (6)>  
**Cc:** "Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)" <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** FW: Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller

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**From:** Emmons, William <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 5:22 PM  
**To:** DOJ Correspondence (SMO) <[Ex\\_DOJCorrespondence@jmd.usdoj.gov](mailto:Ex_DOJCorrespondence@jmd.usdoj.gov)>; Lasseter, David F. (OLA) <(b) (6)>; Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Cc:** Hiller, Aaron <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller

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**From:** Bitar, Maher  
**Subject:** RE: HPSCI - Notification  
**To:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA); Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Cc:** Goldman, Daniel; Bergreen, Timothy  
**Sent:** March 25, 2019 7:02 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** 20190325 - Joint Chairs Letter to AG re Special Counsel.pdf

Thank you, David. We appreciate receiving the letters directly from the Department. As you can imagine, the Committee needs to understand the precise details and information uncovered by the Special Counsel's Office, including with regard to any information of a counterintelligence nature. You likely have already received the joint letter from the six Committee Chairs requesting Special Counsel Mueller's full report by April 2 and receipt of the underlying materials starting the same day. In addition to this request, HPSCI will require testimony in short order from relevant leadership and senior officials.

We look forward to working with you on these matters and will be in touch tomorrow to begin arrangements.

Thanks again,

Maher

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Maher Bitar  
General Counsel (Majority)  
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI)  
HVC-304 - The Capitol  
Office: (b) (6)  
Cell: (b) (6)

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**From:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 9:51 AM  
**To:** Bitar, Maher <(b) (6)>; Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Cc:** Goldman, Daniel <(b) (6)>; Bergreen, Timothy <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** RE: HPSCI - Notification

Maher—good morning. Hope you are well. The letter I sent to Tim and yourself yesterday, as well as the letter I transmitted on Friday is what the AG has shared with Congress.

Thanks,  
David

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**From:** Bitar, Maher <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 22, 2019 8:20 PM  
**To:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA) <(b) (6)>; Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Cc:** Goldman, Daniel <(b) (6)>; Bergreen, Timothy <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** HPSCI - Notification

Stephen, David -

Thanks again for the notification. In light of the letter and recent statements attributed to DOJ officials, we trust that Chairman Schiff and we will receive, possibly as early as this weekend, any letter, report, or other initial briefing, whether in writing or otherwise, regarding "principal conclusions" that the Attorney General references in his

notification letter.

Appreciate your confirmation and any additional information you have about the Department's plans this weekend and next week.

Thanks again,

Maher

On Mar 22, 2019, at 5:14 PM, Bitar, Maher <(b) (6)> wrote:

Thanks, David. Confirming receipt for HPSCI.

Maher

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Maher Bitar  
General Counsel (Majority)  
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI)  
HVC-304 - The Capitol

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**From:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 22, 2019 5:12 PM  
**To:** Bergreen, Timothy <(b) (6)>; Bitar, Maher <(b) (6)>; Souza, Allen <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Notification

Please find attached notification fellas.

Thanks,  
David

David F. Lasseter  
Deputy Assistant Attorney General  
Office of Legislative Affairs  
U.S. Department of Justice  
(b) (6)



**From:** (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI (OGC) (FBI)  
**Subject:** FW: HPSCI - Upcoming Testimony  
**To:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA)  
**Cc:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Sent:** March 26, 2019 9:01 AM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** 20190325 - Joint Chairs Letter to AG re Special Counsel.pdf

David –

I got this note last night and am sending it along to you. I am meeting with my folks at SCO today (b)(5) per FBI

Thanks.

- (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI

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**From:** Bitar, Maher [(b) (6)]  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 7:03 PM  
**To:** (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI (OGC) (FBI) (b)(6), (b)(7)(C), (b)(7)(E) per FBI  
**Cc:** Bergreen, Timothy <(b) (6)>; Goldman, Daniel <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** HPSCI - Upcoming Testimony

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C) per FBI

Hope all's well, post-Barr letter. In case you haven't seen, the Chairs of six Committees, including Chairman Schiff, sent today a joint letter to Attorney General Barr requesting the Special Counsel's full report by April 2 and receipt of the underlying materials starting the same day. We also will require testimony from relevant leadership and senior officials, likely including Special Counsel Mueller, to understand the precise details and information uncovered by your office.

Let us know when you have a moment to discuss further.

Thanks in advance,

Maher

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Maher Bitar  
General Counsel (Majority)  
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI)  
HVC-304 - The Capitol  
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**From:** Reuss, Alexis (OLA)  
**Subject:** special counsel letters  
**To:** Hankey, Mary Blanche (OLA)  
**Sent:** March 26, 2019 10:06 AM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** 2019-03-22 DOJ Preservation Letter.pdf, 2019-03-25 Letter to AG Barr Re Special Counsel.pdf

Do we want to provide initial responses for these sorts of letters?

**Alex Allen Reuss**  
Department of Justice  
Office of Legislative Affairs  
**(b) (6)**

**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.

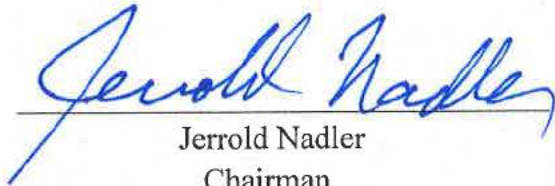
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<sup>1</sup> *Appointment of Special Counsel to Investigate Russian Interference with the 2016 Presidential Election and Related Matters*, Order No. 3915-2017, Office of the Deputy Attorney General, May 17, 2017.

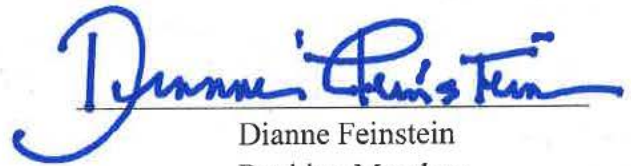
<sup>2</sup> 18 U.S.C. § 2071.

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



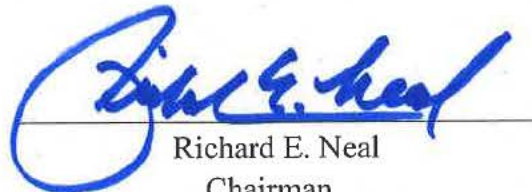
Mark Warner  
Ranking Member  
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence



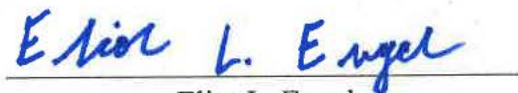
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House Committee on Oversight and Reform



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House Committee on Financial Services



Richard E. Neal  
Chairman  
House Committee on Ways and Means



Eliot L. Engel  
Chairman  
House Committee on Foreign Affairs



Robert Menendez  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Foreign Relations



Ron Wyden  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Finance



Sherrod Brown

Ranking Member

Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs

cc:

Rod Rosenstein  
Deputy Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20530

John Demers  
Assistant Attorney General for National Security  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, D.C. 20530

**From:** Weinsheimer, Bradley (ODAG)  
**Subject:** RE: Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller  
**To:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA); O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG)  
**Sent:** March 26, 2019 11:38 AM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** Response to March 25 Chair Nadler SCO letter.docx

I drafted a proposed response. Thanks, Brad.

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**From:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 5:46 PM  
**To:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG) <(b) (6)>; Weinsheimer, Bradley (ODAG) <(b) (6)>; Rabbitt, Brian (OAG) <(b) (6)>; Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Cc:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** FW: Report of Special Counsel Robert Mueller

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**From:** Boyd, Stephen E. (OLA)  
**Subject:** Nadler (Please read)  
**To:** O'Callaghan, Edward C. (ODAG); Rabbitt, Brian (OAG)  
**Cc:** Lasseter, David F. (OLA)  
**Sent:** March 26, 2019 12:01 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** 2019-03-25 Letter to AG Barr Re Special Counsel.pdf

Readout from call with Nadler's staff:

1. Chairman Nadler is aware of Chairman Graham's public comments regarding a phone call with the AG, **and Chairman Nadler is now requesting the same as soon as possible.** (I will forward to OAG schedulers unless told to stand down. My general recommendation is (b) (5) )
2. Chairman Nadler is requesting that the AG testify before the House Committee on the Judiciary, and seeks to identify a date. I responded that we believe any such hearing would be more productive for the Committee if it came after whatever disclosure of information is going to occur. (I was vague on the substance of the disclosure and also timing. I said "weeks not months.")
3. Nadler wants a response to yesterday's "Chairman's" letter by April 2. I floated the idea that our response by that date might be to lay out a more specific timetable for disclosure and hearings (if any), and staff seemed reasonable about that. Nothing settled at this point, however.
4. There are other oversight issues raised, but I will discuss those with relevant parties offline.

SB

**Stephen E. Boyd**  
Assistant Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
Washington, D.C.

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**From:** Hornbuckle, Wyn \ (OPA)  
**Subject:** FW: Letter  
**To:** McGowan, Ashley L. \ (OPA)  
**Sent:** March 26, 2019 12:19 PM (UTC-04:00)  
**Attached:** AG March 24 2019 Letter to House and Senate Judiciary Committees.pdf,  
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[Here are the two communications to Congress](#)

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**From:** Kupec, Kerri (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Sent:** Sunday, March 24, 2019 3:44 PM  
**To:** Carr, Peter (OPA) <(b) (6)>; Hornbuckle, Wyn (OPA) <(b) (6)>  
**Subject:** Letter

**Kerri Kupec**  
**Director**  
**Office of Public Affairs**  
**U.S. Department of Justice**

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## The Attorney General

Washington, D.C.

March 22, 2019

The Honorable Lindsey Graham  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
290 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jerrold Nadler  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States House of Representatives  
2132 Rayburn House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States Senate  
331 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Doug Collins  
Ranking Member, Committee on the Judiciary  
United States House of Representatives  
1504 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Graham, Chairman Nadler, Ranking Member Feinstein, and Ranking Member Collins:

I write to notify you pursuant to 28 C.F.R. § 600.9(a)(3) that Special Counsel Robert S. Mueller III has concluded his investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 election and related matters. In addition to this notification, the Special Counsel regulations require that I provide you with “a description and explanation of instances (if any) in which the Attorney General” or acting Attorney General “concluded that a proposed action by a Special Counsel was so inappropriate or unwarranted under established Departmental practices that it should not be pursued.” 28 C.F.R. § 600.9(a)(3). There were no such instances during the Special Counsel’s investigation.

The Special Counsel has submitted to me today a “confidential report explaining the prosecution or declination decisions” he has reached, as required by 28 C.F.R. § 600.8(c). I am reviewing the report and anticipate that I may be in a position to advise you of the Special Counsel’s principal conclusions as soon as this weekend.

Separately, I intend to consult with Deputy Attorney General Rosenstein and Special Counsel Mueller to determine what other information from the report can be released to Congress and the public consistent with the law, including the Special Counsel regulations, and the Department’s long-standing practices and policies. I remain committed to as much transparency as possible, and I will keep you informed as to the status of my review.

Finally, the Special Counsel regulations provide that “the Attorney General may determine that public release of” this notification “would be in the public interest.” 28 C.F.R. § 600.9(c). I have so determined, and I will disclose this letter to the public after delivering it to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W.P. Barr".

William P. Barr  
Attorney General