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September 24, 2025

The Honorable Pamela Bondi Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Ave. NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Bondi:

As members of the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, we urge you immediately to provide the relevant documents and files, including audio and video files, related to the Department of Justice (DOJ) / FBI investigation into White House Border Czar Tom Homan.

On September 20, MSNBC reported that, in September 2024, Mr. Homan had accepted \$50,000 in cash from undercover FBI agents who were posing as business executives. According to these reports, Mr. Homan accepted this money in exchange for agreeing to help the undercover agents win government contracts if Donald Trump was re-elected. The FBI and DOJ reportedly intended to continue the investigation into President Trump's second term to see if Mr. Homan would deliver on his promise. However, President Trump's appointees inexplicably closed the investigation after the FBI Director reportedly made inquiries about its status.

If true, this alleged conduct by a senior government official is unacceptable. The fact that the incoming Trump Administration reportedly closed this investigation prematurely raises further concerns that the Administration is weaponizing our system of justice to protect the President's friends and to persecute his political foes.

These allegations are particularly concerning considering Mr. Homan's apparent conflicts of interest and recent contracts that have reportedly been awarded to his previous clients and companies. For example, Mr. Homan previously worked as a consultant for the GEO Group, a

¹ Tom Homan was investigated for accepting \$50,000 from undercover FBI agents. Trump's DOJ shut it down, MSNBC (Sep. 20, 2025) (https://www.msnbc.com/msnbc/news/tom-homan-cash-contracts-trump-doj-investigation-rcna232568).

² *Id*.

³ *Id*.

⁴ *Id*.

private prison corporation that is also a leading contractor for ICE.⁵ Since the start of the Trump Administration, GEO Group has been awarded several new contracts, including a 15-year contract valued at \$1 billion for a detention facility in New Jersey.⁶ Additionally, media reporting indicates that Mr. Homan played a key part in hiring a former GEO Group executive to a top ICE position that oversees contracts for immigrant detention centers.⁷

Congress just provided an additional \$170 billion for border security and interior immigration enforcement through the "One Big Beautiful Bill Act," with \$45 billion just for the construction of detention centers. It is critical that the American people be able to trust that the influence of White House and other government officials has not been bought, and that contracts will be awarded to companies based on merit, not to those willing to pay bribes. Our homeland security should not be for sale so that one official can provide favors to his friends, and we encourage the Department to treat this investigation with the seriousness it deserves.

We request that you provide the following documents and information, and provide a briefing to our staff, by October 8, 2025:

- 1. The complete DOJ/FBI investigative file involving Mr. Homan, including any audio or video recordings.
- 2. All DOJ and FBI communications since January 20, 2025, related to the status of DOJ's investigation into Tom Homan.
- 3. Did undercover FBI agents pay \$50,000 to a target or subject of an investigation on September 20, 2024? Provide all relevant records, including financial records demonstrating the payments, their source, their purpose, and the related investigation.
- 4. The complete contract files for all DOJ/FBI awards made to GEO Group, Inc. since January 20, 2025.

⁵ *Trump's border czar earned consulting fees from immigrant detention firm*, Washington Post (May 27, 2025) (https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2025/05/27/border-czar-ethics-consulting-fees/).

⁶ GEO Group, *The GEO Group Awarded 15-Year Contract by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement for Company-Owned, 1,000-Bed Delaney Hall Facility in New Jersey* (Feb. 27, 2025) (https://investors.geogroup.com/news-releases/news-release-details/geo-group-awarded-15-year-contract-us-immigration-and-customs).

⁷ *The former private prison exec behind ICE's immigrant detention surge*, Washington Post (Aug. 1, 2025) (https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2025/08/01/ice-david-venturella-geo-immigration-detention/).

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