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COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS WASHINGTON, DC 20510–6250

July 29, 2025

The Honorable Pamela Bondi Attorney General Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20530

Dear Attorney General Bondi,

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C §2954, which holds in relevant part that an "Executive agency, on request of ... the Committee on [Homeland Security and] Governmental Affairs of the Senate, or any five members thereof, shall submit any information requested of it relating to any matter within the jurisdiction of the committee", we request "the full and complete Epstein files" as identified by the Department of Justice (DOJ) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI).¹

After missteps and failed promises by your Department regarding these files, it is essential that the Trump Administration provide full transparency. In 2024, President Trump stated on the campaign trail that he would declassify the Epstein files, with his political account on X stating, "President Trump says he will DECLASSIFY the 9/11 Files, JFK Files, and Epstein Files." When asked again whether he would release an Epstein client list, President Trump stated, "Yeah, I'd certainly take a look at it. [...] I'd be inclined to do the Epstein. I'd have no problem with it." Shortly after becoming Attorney General, you indicated that the Epstein client list was "sitting on my desk right now to review." Since taking office again, President Trump has also called for the release of grand jury testimony related to the Epstein case. In response to that directive, you wrote in a motion filed in federal court, "Given the public interest in the investigative work conducted by the Department of Justice and Federal

¹ See Letter from Hon. Pamela Bondi, Attorney General, to Hon. Kash Patel, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (Feb. 27, 2025) (https://www.justice.gov/ag/media/1391331/dl?inline.).

² Trump War Room, X (Jun. 3, 2024) (https://x.com/TrumpWarRoom/status/1797720117737865557).

³ Alexandra Hutzler, *What Trump has said about Jeffrey Epstein over the years, including on 2024 campaign trail*, ABC News (Jul. 16, 2025) (https://abcnews.go.com/Politics/trump-jeffrey-epstein-years-including-2024-campaign-trail/story?id=123778541).

⁴ Ryan Lucas, *Attorney General Bondi brushes aside questions about her handling of Epstein files*, NPR (Jul. 15, 2025) (https://www.npr.org/2025/07/15/g-s1-77698/pam-bondi-jeffrey-epstein-justice-department).

⁵ Anastasia Tsioulcas, *Trump calls for the release of Jeffrey Epstein grand jury testimony*, NPR (Jul. 19, 2025) (https://www.npr.org/2025/07/19/nx-s1-5473430/trump-calls-release-jeffrey-epstein-grand-jury-testimony).

Bureau of Investigation into Epstein, the Department of Justice moves the Court to unseal the underlying grand jury transcripts in United States v. Epstein, subject to appropriate redactions of victim-related and other personal identifying information."⁶

We call on you to fulfill those promises of transparency. Specifically, we request all documents, files, evidence, or other materials in the possession of DOJ or FBI related to *United States of America v. Jeffrey Epstein*, including but not limited to "all records, documents, audio and video recordings, and materials related to Jeffrey Epstein and his clients" identified by either DOJ or FBI as referenced in your Feb. 27, 2025, letter to FBI Director Kash Patel, and including but not limited to any "investigative holdings" and "responsive materials" identified by DOJ and FBI as of July 2025.

You should take necessary steps to protect all personal or private information of any victims, including personally identifiable information of victims and victims' personal and medical files. You should, in accordance with federal law and best practices in the interest of victims, also exclude all materials that depict or contain child sexual abuse materials as defined under 18 U.S.C. 2256 and prohibited under 18 U.S.C. 2252-2252A.

The Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs is authorized by Rule XXV (k)(2)(B) of the Standing Rules of the Senate to investigate matters that aid the Committee in "studying the efficiency, economy, and effectiveness of all agencies and departments of the Government." Under Senate Resolution 94, Sec. 12(e), of the 119th Congress, the Committee is authorized to review "the possible existence of fraud, misfeasance, malfeasance, collusion, mismanagement, incompetence, corruption or unethical practices, waste, extravagance, conflicts of interest, and the improper expenditure of Government funds." 11

Please provide these documents and information as soon as possible, but no later than August 15, 2025. Additionally, please arrange to provide a briefing to Committee staff as soon as possible, but no later than August 29, 2025.

Sincerely,

⁶ *Id*.

⁷ See Indictment, United States of America v. Epstein, 19 Crim. 490 (S.D.N.Y. 2019).

⁸ See Letter from Hon. Pamela Bondi, Attorney General, to Hon. Kash Patel, Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (Feb. 27, 2025) (https://www.justice.gov/ag/media/1391331/dl?inline.).

⁹ See Memo, U.S. Department of Justice, Federal Bureau of Investigation (July 2025) (https://www.justice.gov/opa/media/1407001/dl?inline).

¹⁰ S. Rule XXV(k)(2)(B).

¹¹ S. Res. 94, Sec. 12(e).

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