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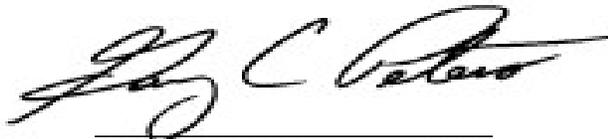
The Honorable Ron Johnson
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Johnson:

I have been informed that you intend to release a report on your probe of alleged conflicts related to Ukraine foreign policy this week without concurrently releasing all witness interview transcripts in the investigation, in violation of the unanimous vote of this Committee. As you know, at the Committee's September 16, 2020 business meeting, I made a motion requiring that you publicly release all witness interview transcripts from your investigation at the same time you release any Majority report, to ensure that the public would have a full account from witnesses with first-hand knowledge of the events in question. You agreed and in a unanimous voice vote, the Committee adopted my motion.

Your release of a report without the simultaneous release of all witness interview transcripts, in direct violation of this Committee's vote, would further weaken the Committee's ability to effectively carry out its responsibilities on behalf of the public in the future. I hope these rumors are incorrect and I again call on you to honor the commitment you made and that the Committee voted to require – concurrent release with any report of all transcripts in full, with appropriate redactions to protect our national security interests.

Sincerely,



Gary C. Peters
Ranking Member
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