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The Honorable John Kelly
Secretary of Homeland Security
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

As part of the Committee's oversight of the Department of Homeland Security, I am writing regarding the implementation of cyber provisions contained in the FY2016 Consolidated Appropriations Act, P.L. 114-113. Included in the Appropriations Act were two cyber-related reporting requirements, each annually due to Congress no later than February 1.¹

As of the date of this letter, the Committee has not received either report. I request that the Department provide the reports to the Committee as soon as possible. If the reports have yet to be completed, please provide Committee staff with an explanation as to why the deadline was missed, and a scheduled date for the report's completion and release no later than Wednesday, February 15, 2017.

Additionally, in order to gain better understanding of how the Department is implementing the process for issuing the emergency directives, please provide an update on the procedures, outlined in 44 U.S. Code Section 3553 (h)(2), that the Secretary established governing the circumstances under which a directive may be issued.

Please contact Julie Klein with Ranking Member McCaskill's Committee staff at 202-224-2627 with any questions. Please send any official correspondence relating to this request to Amanda Trosen at Amanda_Trosen@hsgac.senate.gov.

Sincerely,



Claire McCaskill
Ranking Member

cc: Ron Johnson
Chairman

¹ 44 U.S.C. 3553(h)(1)(H); 44 U.S.C. 3553(i).