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September 30, 2026

Andrew Levy
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Dear Mr. Levy:

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Democrats are investigating potential corruption, self-dealing, and mismanagement at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) under the leadership of former Secretary Kristi Noem; Corey Lewandowski, her special advisor and shadow chief-of-staff; and other DHS officials.¹ Specifically, I write regarding seven aircraft sold by Avelo Airlines to Valkyrie Aviation Holdings Group, and Daedalus Aviation Corp., both of which are associated with Dr. William A. Walters III, a government contractor with ties to senior officials in the Trump Administration.² These aircraft were later sold to DHS as part of a \$464 million no-bid contract.³ I request your cooperation with the investigation.

¹ See, e.g., Letter from Ranking Member Robert Garcia, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Ranking Member Rick Larsen, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ranking Member Bennie G. Thompson, Committee on Homeland Security, to the Office of the Secretary, Department of Homeland Security (Mar. 18, 2026) (online at https://oversightdemocrats.house.gov/imo/media/doc/joint_letter_to_dhs_os_re_noem_lewandowski.pdf); Letter from Ranking Member Robert Garcia, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, Ranking Member Rick Larsen, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Ranking Member Bennie G. Thompson, Committee on Homeland Security, to Inspector General Joseph V. Cuffari, Department of Homeland Security (Mar. 18, 2026) (online at https://oversightdemocrats.house.gov/imo/media/doc/joint_letter_to_dhs_oig_re_noem_lewandowski.pdf); Letter from Ranking Member Bennie G. Thompson, Committee on Homeland Security, Ranking Member Robert Garcia, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, and Ranking Member Rick Larsen, Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to Secretary Markwayne Mullin, Department of Homeland Security (Apr. 23, 2026) (online at https://democrats-homeland.house.gov/imo/media/doc/2026-04-23_letter_re_voorhies_fema_contract.pdf); Letter from Ranking Member Robert Garcia, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, to Fertitta Enterprises, Inc. (May 21, 2026) (online at https://oversightdemocrats.house.gov/imo/media/doc/letter_to_fertitta_enterprises_inc.pdf).

² *How Taxpayers Are Still Getting Screwed on Kristi Noem's Big Beautiful Jet*, Mother Jones (Mar. 10, 2026) (online at www.motherjones.com/politics/2026/03/kristi-noem-dhs-plan-737-salus-valkyrie).

³ *Homeland Security Paid \$464 Million for Airplanes. Then It Parked Them.*, New York Times (Aug. 13, 2026) (online at www.nytimes.com/2026/08/13/us/politics/homeland-security-parked-airplanes.html); SAM.gov, *Contract Award 70QS0326C00005002* (online at <https://sam.gov/workspace/contract/award/view/70QS0326C00005002?agencyID=7001&modNumber=P00004&tra>).

Beginning in Fall 2025, Valkyrie Aviation Holdings Group and Daedalus Aviation Corporation acquired seven Boeing 737 aircraft previously owned by Avelo Airlines, including:

Serial No.	Avelo Tail No.	DHS Tail No.
36623	N702VL	N474US
33789	N706VL	N475US
36626	N703VL	N476US
33785	N705VL	N477US
30677	N708VL	N478US
36617	N701VL	N479US
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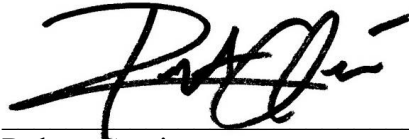
As part of Committee Democrats’ ongoing investigation into corruption at DHS, I request the following documents no later than October 14, 2026:

1. All materials concerning the listing and sale of the aircraft listed above from 2024 to present, including all accompanying emails and other internal and external communications;
2. All records related to the value of the aircraft listed above from the time of acquisition through the time of sale;
3. The amount paid to Avelo Airlines for each of the aircraft listed above;
4. All documents and materials concerning the purchase, including proof of purchase, contracts, and agreements between Avelo Airlines and Dr. William A. Walters III, Valkyrie Aviation Holdings Group, Daedalus Aviation Corp, and Salus Worldwide Solutions Corp;
5. All records and communications concerning Avelo Airlines’ and any related individual or entities’ interactions with Dr. William A. Walters III, Valkyrie Aviation Holdings Group, Daedalus Aviation Corp, Salus Worldwide Solutions Corp, DHS, ICE, and any other representative of the Trump Administration; and
6. A list of all entities engaged, contracted, or otherwise contacted in connection with any engagement between Avelo Airlines and DHS.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee of the House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate “any matter” at “any time” under House Rule X. If you have any questions about this request, please contact Committee Democratic staff at (202) 225-5051. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Mr. Andrew Levy
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Garcia', written over a horizontal line.

Robert Garcia
Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable James Comer, Chairman