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VIA EMAIL

Mr. Peter Mandelson

Dear Mr. Mandelson:

We write to seek your cooperation with the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform's investigation into Jeffrey Epstein's sex trafficking operations. The Committee is seeking to uncover the identities of Mr. Epstein's co-conspirators and enablers and understand the full extent of his criminal operations. In addition to public reporting, there are documents among the files released by the Department of Justice (DOJ) that show you may have knowledge of his activities related to our investigation. In the interest of justice for the victims of Jeffrey Epstein, we request that you cooperate with the Committee's investigation by sitting for a transcribed interview with the Committee.

Numerous pieces of evidence have come to light demonstrating your close ties to Jeffrey Epstein over the span of multiple years. For example, in 2003, you authored a handwritten note that was included in Epstein's 50th Birthday Book, referring to Epstein as your "best pal" and praising him as "an intelligent, sharp-witted man[.]"¹ In bank records obtained by the Committee, Epstein transferred sizable sums of money to you, including payments between 2003 and 2004 totaling more than \$75,000.² In 2008, while Epstein was facing charges for soliciting a minor, you sent Epstein a message of support, noting "Your friends stay with you and love you."³ Reporting also indicates that you stayed at Epstein's Manhattan apartment in 2009 while he was serving a sentence under house arrest in Florida following his guilty plea.⁴ In 2010, you messaged Epstein with insider information just hours before European governments announced a €500 billion deal to strengthen the shared currency, noting "sources tell me 500 b euro bailout" is almost complete.⁵ Last month, a photo of you was included in the DOJ's partial release of

¹ *Peter Mandelson Called Jeffrey Epstein "My Best Pal" in 50th Birthday Letter*, The Guardian (Sept. 9, 2025) (online at www.theguardian.com/politics/2025/sep/09/peter-mandelson-called-jeffrey-epstein-my-best-pal-in-50th-birthday-letter).

² *Who is Peter Mandelson, and Why Have His Epstein Ties Shaken the British Establishment?*, CNN (Feb. 4, 2026) (online at www.cnn.com/2026/02/03/europe/peter-mandelson-epstein-ties-britain-intl-latam).

³ *Who is Peter Mandelson?*, BBC (Feb. 4, 2026) (online at www.bbc.com/news/articles/c3edlg5w855o).

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ *British Politician Peter Mandelson Quits House of Lords, Could Face Police Investigation Over Epstein Ties*, PBS (Feb. 3, 2026) (online at www.pbs.org/newshour/world/british-politician-peter-mandelson-quits-house-of-lords-could-face-police-investigation-over-epstein-ties).

Epstein-related documents.⁶ The photo appears to depict you in your underwear alongside an unidentified woman.⁷

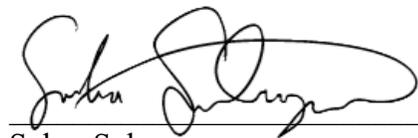
While you no longer serve as British Ambassador to the United States and have stepped down from the House of Lords, it is clear that you possessed extensive social and business ties to Jeffrey Epstein and hold critical information pertaining to our investigation of Epstein's operations. Given the appalling allegations regarding Epstein's conduct, we request that you make yourself available for a transcribed interview with Committee staff regarding the crimes of Jeffrey Epstein and his co-conspirators. Due to the urgency and gravity of this matter, we ask that you provide a response to the Committee's interest no later than February 27, 2026.

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.

Sincerely,



Robert Garcia
Ranking Member



Suhas Subramanyam
Member of Congress

cc: The Honorable James Comer, Chairman

⁶ *Who is Peter Mandelson, and Why Have His Epstein Ties Shaken the British Establishment?*, CNN (Feb. 4, 2026) (online at www.cnn.com/2026/02/03/europe/peter-mandelson-epstein-ties-britain-intl-latam).

⁷ *Id.*