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The Honorable Kimberly Ann Guilfoyle
American Ambassador
Hellenic Republic
91 Vasilisis Sophias Avenue
10160 Athens, Greece

Dear Ambassador Guilfoyle:

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Democrats are investigating allegations of endemic corruption within the political elite of the Trump Administration. I write regarding alarming allegations and evidence that you engaged in a pay-to-play scheme with a Republican donor in which you demanded \$100,000 in exchange for access to senior Trump Administration officials with the promise of a \$1 million payoff later.¹ Americans dealing with the cost of living are outraged that a Trump family affiliate and high-ranking official thinks she can get someone to pay off her \$100,000 credit card bill by selling policy influence to wealthy donors. I am further concerned by the donor's claim that you "have done this to more than [him]" and that you are "doing it right now in Greece," raising concerns about a culture of impunity allowed at U.S. Embassy Athens. I request detailed information about your financial records, communications with Eric Deters, and your communications with senior Administration officials on behalf of your benefactors.

On October 7, 2026, *The Wall Street Journal* revealed text messages between you and Eric Deters, a former Republican congressional candidate seeking help from senior Trump Administration officials with personal legal and tax matters. Mr. Deters reportedly promised you as much as \$1 million if you were successful in helping him access the Trump Administration. You reportedly offered to use your access as Donald Trump Jr.'s former fiancée, stating, "Every secretary of you know defense, transportation, treasury commerce IRS commissioner everyone gets right back to me... oh yeah, I'm forgetting [Kash] Patel." You reportedly acted on this offer by communicating with then-Commissioner of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) Billy Long and lobbying the Department of Justice on Mr. Deter's behalf.² Mr. Deters has publicly referred to this ongoing relationship as transactional, saying "it absolutely was a quid pro quo."³

¹ "Honey Please": Kimberly Guilfoyle Pushed Donor to Wire \$100,000 to Her Amex Account, Wall Street Journal (Oct. 7, 2026) (online at www.wsj.com/politics/policy/guilfoyle-amex-donor-100-000-0e02cdc3).

² *Id.*

³ MSNOW, News Segment: 'Absolutely Was a Quid Pro Quo': Trump Donor SPEAKS OUT About Guilfoyle Asking Him for \$100K (Oct. 8, 2026) (online at www.youtube.com/watch?v=swt4CeSkokE).

According to the communications obtained by *The Wall Street Journal*, you repeatedly cautioned Mr. Deters about putting this quid pro quo arrangement into writing, stating “Eric, I really wish you would stop papering all these things. It’s really dangerous and not helpful to you or me while you could simply just call me on [Signal].”⁴ In January 2025, you allegedly complained to Mr. Deters about his disclosure of your arrangement to a producer on her own podcast, stating, “It’s unbelievable when we have a private arrangement with you that you would now CC a producer talking about money,” and later stating “Do not say we have any arrangement.”

In Spring of 2025, you allegedly began soliciting additional payments from Mr. Deters and, in an apparent attempt to make them appear legitimate, requested that he draft a letter from his consulting company saying that he owed you two \$50,000 back payments for consulting services. On June 11, 2025, Mr. Deters sent you a letter noticing \$50,000 in owed back pay and an intent to engage your services for another \$50,000 “until your confirmation.” You reportedly sent a congratulatory note to then-IRS Commissioner Long with a letter from Mr. Deters attached. Mr. Deters complained to you in a photo of a printed memo about his matters going unaddressed, stating “I have paid you \$300,000 over the years... As of this memo, I have not received one favor. I am not naive or a sucker. I need results.”

On July 3, 2025, you reportedly called Mr. Deters multiple times unsuccessfully and subsequently sent Signal messages requesting Mr. Deters pay the credit balance for your American Express account totaling \$100,000, stating “I have been officially announced [to be the next Ambassador to Greece] honey please I need you to get this done for me today,” and attaching a PDF with bill payment instructions. You further stated in these messages, “It won’t show up anywhere if you wire money to American Express that’s all that will show.” When Mr. Deters refused this sudden demand, you reportedly replied “I’ve been calling you for over a week straight... You could be here meeting with [then-IRS Commissioner] Billy Long.”⁵

This alleged misconduct raises serious public corruption and national security concerns. If Trump Administration officials can be bought by donors, the American people suffer the consequences of corrupt leaders more concerned with their own enrichment than the public good and vulnerable to blackmail by foreign intelligence services. A sitting United States ambassador must represent the country, not her own financial interests.⁶

I request that you immediately preserve all financial records, communications, letters, phone records, and all other documents in your possession related to the matters above. I also request you provide the following by October 22, 2026:

⁴ “Honey Please”: Kimberly Guilfoyle Pushed Donor to Wire \$100,000 to Her Amex Account, Wall Street Journal (Oct. 7, 2026) (online at www.wsj.com/politics/policy/guilfoyle-amex-donor-100-000-0e02cdc3).

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ See *The Mystery Man Shadowing Kimberly Guilfoyle as She Pushes Deals Across Europe*, Wall Street Journal (Sept. 25, 2026) (online at www.wsj.com/articles/kimberly-guilfoyle-mystery-man-energy-5adeb541).

1. All communications between you and the following persons from January 1, 2024, to the present:
 - a. Mr. Eric Deters
 - b. Mr. Billy Long
 - c. FBI Director Kash Patel
 - d. Former Attorney General Pam Bondi
 - e. All persons holding political appointments at the Department of Justice and/or the Department of the Treasury at any point during this time period.
2. All personal financial records, including records of all payments made to you for consulting services, any gifts provided by non-relatives, and all assets and liabilities.
3. All financial records of any company owned or operated by you since January 1, 2024, to the present.
4. All records relied upon to inform your public financial disclosure nominee report (OGE Form 278e) and all subsequent or additional financial disclosures completed as a condition of your employment.

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 matter.

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