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July 10, 2019

The Honorable Alexander Acosta Secretary of Labor U.S. Department of Labor 200 Constitution Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20210

Dear Mr. Secretary:

We are writing to invite you to testify at a hearing on July 23, 2019, at 3:00 p.m., in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building.

The hearing will examine your actions as United States Attorney for the Southern District of Florida in authorizing a non-prosecution agreement for Jeffrey Epstein, as well as the finding by a federal court that you violated the Crime Victims' Rights Act by keeping this non-prosecution agreement secret from the victims of Mr. Epstein's crimes. Your testimony is even more critical now that federal prosecutors in the Southern District of New York unsealed a new indictment earlier this week outlining a host of additional charges against Mr. Epstein, including luring dozens of teenage girls to his homes in New York City and Palm Beach, Florida, and paying them to engage in sexual activity with him.

The enclosed Witness Instruction Sheet provides information for witnesses appearing before the Committee. Please note the procedures for submitting written testimony at least two business days prior to the hearing. Please be prepared to provide a five-minute opening statement and answer questions posed by Members. If you have any questions, please contact Committee staff at (202) 225-5051.

Sincerely,

Elijah E. Cummings

Chairman

Jamie Raskin

Chairman

Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

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cc: The Honorable Jim Jordan, Ranking Member

The Honorable Chip Roy, Ranking Member Subcommittee on Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

Committee on Oversight & Reform Witness Instruction Sheet

- 1. Witnesses should provide their testimony, biography, and "Truth in Testimony" disclosure and certification form via email to Oversight_Clerks@mail.house.gov no later than 10:00 a.m. two business days prior to he hearing.
- 2. Witnesses should also provide a short biographical summary and include it with the electronic copy of testimony provided to the Clerk.
- 3. At the hearing, each witness will be asked to summarize his or her written testimony in five minutes or less in order to maximize the time available for discussion and questions. Written testimony will be entered into the hearing record and may extend to any reasonable length.
- 4. Written testimony will be made publicly available and will be posted on the Committee's website and the U.S. House of Representatives Document Repository. It is therefore recommended that personally identifiable information, such as addresses and phone numbers, not be included in the biographical information.
- 5. At the hearing, each witness will be asked to summarize his or her written testimony in five minutes or less in order to maximize the time available for discussion and questions. Written testimony will be entered into the hearing record and may extend to any reasonable length.
- 6. The Committee does not provide financial reimbursement for witness travel or accommodations. Witnesses with extenuating circumstances, however, may submit a written request for such reimbursements to Robin Butler, Financial Administrator, 2157 Rayburn House Office Building, at least one week prior to the hearing. Reimbursements will not be made without prior approval.
- 7. Witnesses with disabilities should contact Committee staff to arrange any necessary accommodations.
- 8. Please note that Committee Rule 16(b) requires counsel representing an individual or entity before the Committee or any of its subcommittees, whether in connection with a request, subpoena, or testimony, promptly submit a notice of appearance to the Committee. If this applies to you, please email the address above to acquire this form.

For inquiries regarding these rules and procedures, please contact the Committee on Oversight and Reform at (202) 225-5051.

Truth in Testimony Disclosure Form

In accordance with Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5)*, of the *Rules of the House of Representatives*, witnesses are asked to disclose the following information. Please complete this form electronically by filling in the provided blanks.

Committee:
Subcommittee:
Hearing Date:
Hearing :
Witness Name:
Position/Title:
Witness Type: O Governmental O Non-governmental
Are you representing yourself or an organization? Organization
If you are representing an organization, please list what entity or entities you are representing:
If you are a <u>non-governmental witness</u> , please list any federal grants or contracts (including subgrants or subcontracts) related to the hearing's subject matter that you or the organization(s) you represent at this hearing received in the current calendar year and previous two calendar years. Include the source and amount of each grant or contract. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.
If you are a <u>non-governmental witness</u> , please list any contracts or payments originating with a foreign government and related to the hearing's subject matter that you or the organization(s) you represent at this hearing received in the current year and previous two calendar years. Include the amount and country of origin of each contract or payment. If necessary, attach additional sheet(s) to provide more information.

False Statements Certification Knowingly providing material false information to this committee/subcommittee, or knowingly concealing material information from this committee/subcommittee, is a crime (18 U.S.C. § 1001). This form will be made part of the hearing record.		
Witness signature	Date	
If you are a <u>non-governmental witness</u> , please ensure that you attach the following documents to this disclosure. Check both boxes to acknowledge that you have done so.		
☐ Written statement of proposed testimony ☐ Curriculum vitae		
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- (5)(A) Each committee shall, to the greatest extent practicable, require witnesses who appear before it to submit in advance written statements of proposed testimony and to limit their initial presentations to the committee to brief summaries thereof.
- (B) In the case of a witness appearing in a nongovernmental capacity, a written statement of proposed testimony shall include a curriculum vitae and a disclosure of any Federal grants or contracts, or contracts or payments originating with a foreign government, received during the current calendar year or either of the two previous calendar years by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness and related to the subject matter of the hearing.
 - (C) The disclosure referred to in subdivision (B) shall include—
 - (i) the amount and source of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) or contract (or subcontract thereof) related to the subject matter of the hearing; and
 - (ii) the amount and country of origin of any payment or contract related to the subject matter of the hearing originating with a foreign government.
- (D) Such statements, with appropriate redactions to protect the privacy or security of the witness, shall be made publicly available in electronic form not later than one day after the witness appears.

^{*}Rule XI, clause 2(g)(5), of the U.S. House of Representatives provides: