

One Hundred Sixteenth Congress Committee on Homeland Security U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

June 25, 2020

The Honorable Chad Wolf Acting Secretary Department of Homeland Security Washington, DC 20520

Dear Acting Secretary Wolf:

I write to express my concern about the Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) failure to comply with the Committee's June 2, 2020 request for documents and a briefing regarding recent protests across the country and related intelligence by no later than June 19 and June 12, respectively.

We continue to read reports of extremist involvement in the protests—including the alleged murder of a DHS Federal Protective Service officer by a right-wing "Boogaloo" extremist.¹ It is imperative that DHS brief the Committee on intelligence regarding these concerning trends as well as DHS's response in order to understand the threat landscape facing the American people.

I ask that you schedule a briefing and produce the requested documents as specified in the June 2 letter without further delay, and in no case later than July 2, 2020.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

BENNIE G. THOMPSON Chairman

¹ Katie Shepherd, an officer was gunned down. The killer was a 'boogaloo boy' using nearby peaceful protests as cover, feds say, WASHINGTON POST, June 17, 2020, <u>https://www.washingtonpost.com/nation/2020/06/17/boogaloo-steven-carrillo/</u>.