

United States Senate
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

March 1, 2021

Ms. Yogananda D. Pittman
Acting Chief of Police
U.S. Capitol Police
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Acting Chief Pittman:

I am continuing to examine the security planning and level of security provided for the January 6, 2021 Joint Session of Congress (hereinafter “Joint Session”). Nearly two months after the Capitol breach, there are still many unanswered questions about what happened and what actions were taken and were not taken. In order to reconstruct as completely as possible the security force posture, building preparation, and events of January 6, I request that you please provide the following information:

1. Please describe the security of the Capitol building at the beginning of the Joint Session, including:
 - a. The number of law enforcement officers that manned the East and West front of the Capitol, manned the Capitol entrances, interior of the Capitol building, were fully outfitted with riot gear, partially outfitted with riot gear, and had no protective or riot gear.
2. Please provide all orders or directives given to U.S. Capitol Police (USCP) officers at the Capitol building on January 6. For each order or directive please indicate the time at which the message was communicated and by whom.
3. Please describe how the doors and windows of the Capitol building are secured?
4. At the beginning of the Joint Session, were all the doors and windows at the Capitol building secured?
 - a. If not, please provide a floor plan of the Capitol building indicating which doors or windows were not secured.
 - b. Did Capitol Police recommend or provide increased security of the doors and windows of the Capitol building at the beginning of the Joint Session?
5. How many doors and windows of the Capitol building were breached on January 6?
 - a. Please provide a floor plan of the Capitol building indicating what doors or windows were breached or damaged on January 6.
 - b. If there were doors or windows that were not secured prior to the Capitol breach, were any of those doors or windows breached or damaged? If so, please indicate the location(s) of those doors or windows in the floor plan referenced above.

6. Where and when did violent confrontations occur at the Capitol on January 6?
 - a. How long did each confrontation last?
 - b. Approximately how many individuals engaged in violent acts?
 - c. At what time did the last violent confrontation end?
7. How many firearms were seen and/or confiscated from individuals inside or on the Capitol grounds on January 6?
8. How many gunshots were fired at the Capitol on January 6:
 - a. by law enforcement; and
 - b. by rioters?
9. When did the USCP begin to clear the Capitol building on January 6?
 - a. Reports indicate that the sergeant at arms said that the Capitol was secure at 5:34 p.m. on January 6.¹ Was this the same time that the Capitol was completely cleared? If not, when did that occur?
9. When did law enforcement reestablish the security perimeter at the Capitol?
10. What groups were involved in planning or coordinating the breach of the Capitol?
 - a. How many members of those groups were involved in the breach?
11. On January 6, approximately how many individuals:
 - a. attended President Trump's speech at the Ellipse;
 - b. marched to the Capitol; and
 - c. breached the Capitol building?
12. Please preserve all records² between and among USCP, sergeants at arms, and House and Senate leadership from January 3, 2021 to January 7, 2021.
13. Is the USCP fully complying with requests for records from the USCP Office of Inspector General?

¹ Lauren Letherby and Anjali Singhvi, *How Trump's Calls to G.O.P. Lawmakers Fit in the Timeline of the Capitol Riot*, NY Times, Feb. 13, 2021, <https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/01/15/us/trump-capitol-riot-timeline.html>.

² "Records" include any written, recorded, or graphic material of any kind, including letters, memoranda, reports, notes, electronic data (emails, email attachments, and any other electronically-created or stored information), calendar entries, inter-office communications, meeting minutes, phone/voice mail or recordings/records of verbal communications, and drafts (whether or not they resulted in final documents).

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Please provide this information as soon as possible but no later than March 15, 2021.
Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ron Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a long horizontal tail stroke.

Ron Johnson

U.S. Senator