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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6250

August 10, 2022

The Honorable Merrick Garland  
Attorney General  
Department of Justice

The Honorable Christopher Wray  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Dear Attorney General Garland and Director Wray:

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) raid on former President Donald Trump's residence at Mar-a-Lago is deeply concerning. It occurred almost two weeks after I sent a letter to both of you highlighting recent whistleblower allegations which raise serious questions regarding the integrity of the FBI and your agencies' ability to do its job without political bias.<sup>1</sup>

The FBI's unprecedented actions against former President Trump, without any stated justification, only add to the mounting evidence of corruption within our federal law enforcement agencies and is yet another example of a multi-tiered system of justice and federal agencies being weaponized against the left's political opponents.

I understand other members of Congress have requested that you provide a full explanation for the raid at the former president's residence. I request that information immediately. However, given your history of lack of transparency and obstruction of my investigations, I am not confident that your explanation for the raid will be forthright, honest, or ease anyone's concerns.

Instead, I want to reiterate my message to the brave men and women who work at the FBI and the Department of Justice who are frustrated and concerned with the direction your agencies are taking:

If you have witnessed wrongdoing at your agency, please come forward and share your concerns with my office. You have a right to talk to Congress.

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<sup>1</sup> Letter from Sen. Ron Johnson, Ranking Member, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, to Merrick Garland, Attorney General, Dep't of Justice, Avril Haines, Director, Office of National Intelligence, Christopher A. Wray, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Michael E. Horowitz, Inspector General, Dep't of Justice, July 26, 2022.

By exposing the truth, Congress can hold accountable those who continue to abuse our system of justice.

Sincerely,

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

Ron Johnson  
Ranking Member  
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations

cc: The Honorable Jon Ossoff  
Chairman

The Honorable Michael E. Horowitz  
Inspector General