Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Honorable James B. Comey
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Dear Director Comey:

We write to you today seeking clarity regarding statements made during and following the Federal Bureau of Investigation's investigation into former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton's use of a personal email server while serving as Secretary of State.

During your testimony before the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee on July 7, 2016 the following exchange occurred between you and Congressman Trey Gowdy (R-SC):

> Rep. Gowdy: Secretary Clinton said there was nothing marked classified on her e-mails either sent or received. Was that true?
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> Director Comey: That's not true . . . .
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> Rep. Gowdy: Secretary Clinton said, "I did not email any classified material to anyone on my email. There is no classified material." Was that true?
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> Director Comey: There was classified material e-mailed.

On multiple occasions, however, former Secretary Clinton has made contradictory claims. In a March 10, 2015 video she stated, "I did not e-mail any classified material to anyone on my e-mail. There is no classified materials." In a July 25, 2015 video she said, "I am confident that I never sent or received any information that was classified at the time." And finally, on August 18, 2015 she declared that she, "had not sent classified material nor received anything marked classified."

Each of these instances was highlighted during a July 31, 2016 interview between former Secretary Clinton and "Fox News Sunday" anchor Chris Wallace. When pressed by Wallace that "FBI Director James Comey said none of those things that you told the American public were true," former Secretary Clinton responded:

> Chris, that's not what I heard Director Comey say . . . Director Comey said my answers were truthful, and what I've said is consistent with what I have told the American people, that there were decisions discussed and made to classify retroactively certain of the emails.

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In our view, former Secretary Clinton's responses to these questions, and to the American public over the past year, directly contradict your sworn statements to a congressional committee. This obvious denial, and refusal to tell the truth raises grave concerns over the rule of law and the investigation into her conduct.

To reassure Members of Congress and the American people, we would like you to resolve whether Secretary Clinton was telling the truth regarding the sending and receiving of classified information. Secretary Clinton has stated that you said her answers to the American public were truthful. However, in your testimony you indicated that Secretary Clinton was not telling the truth. We would like for you to clarify whether Secretary Clinton was telling the truth.

We also respectfully request that you provide in writing her responses to questions asked during her interview by FBI investigators. If a transcript was made of her interview with the FBI, please provide one. If the FBI chose not to transcribe her interview, please provide a detailed response explaining why the interview was not transcribed, including copies of the interviewing agents' notes, and if no notes were taken a detailed written account by the agents of their interview.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Sincerely,

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