

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

July 15, 2024

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Re: Jason Galanis

Dear Mr. Paoletta:

Pursuant to the direction of the House of Representatives,<sup>1</sup> the Committee on Oversight and Accountability and the Committee on the Judiciary, along with the Committee on Ways and Means, have been conducting an inquiry to determine whether sufficient evidence exists to draft articles of impeachment against President Joseph R. Biden, Jr. As you know, your client, Jason Galanis, provided testimony to the Committees as a part of the impeachment inquiry. We write to express our gratitude for Mr. Galanis's extensive and substantial assistance in advancing the impeachment inquiry, especially in the face of obstruction and potential retaliation from the Biden Administration.

During the course of the inquiry, the Committees learned that Mr. Galanis was a business partner of President Biden's son, Hunter Biden, and that he possessed unique and relevant information necessary for the inquiry. Accordingly, on November 9, 2023, we wrote to the Bureau of Prisons (BOP) to request an interview with your client.<sup>2</sup> Several months elapsed, but on February 23, 2024, Mr. Galanis voluntarily appeared for a four-hour video-recorded, transcribed interview at the Montgomery Federal Prison Camp (FPC Montgomery).<sup>3</sup> Congressman Andy Biggs, Chairman of the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance, participated in the interview.<sup>4</sup> Subsequently, on March 20, 2024, Mr. Galanis testified publicly at an Oversight Committee hearing.<sup>5</sup>

At all times during this inquiry, we believe that Mr. Galanis has been honest and forthcoming; he corroborated his testimony by producing significant amounts of contemporaneous documentary evidence. Given the logistical difficulties posed by his incarceration, his cooperation has been exceptional. Mr. Galanis provided testimony and documents regarding then-Vice President Biden's involvement with Hunter Biden's business

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<sup>1</sup> See H. Res. 918.

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Rep. James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Accountability & Rep. Jim Jordan, Chairman, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to David Mapp, Chief of Legislative Affairs, U.S. Fed. Bureau of Prisons (Nov. 9, 2023).

<sup>3</sup> Transcribed Interview of Jason Galanis, H. Comm. on Oversight & Accountability & H. Comm. on the Judiciary (Feb. 23, 2024).

<sup>4</sup> See *id.*

<sup>5</sup> *Influence Peddling: Examining Joe Biden's Abuse of Public Office: Hearing Before H. Comm. on Oversight & Accountability*, 118th Cong. (Mar. 20, 2024).

deals, which is a matter of direct relevance to the House's impeachment inquiry. For instance, Mr. Galanis aided the Committees in understanding the following facets of President Biden's participation in Hunter Biden's foreign business dealings:

- Then-Vice President expressed interest in 2014 in serving on the board of Harvest, a Chinese financial service company, after his vice presidency as an inducement for Harvest to invest in a partnership with his son and business partners, including Mr. Galanis and Devon Archer.<sup>6</sup>
- On May 4, 2014, Hunter Biden called his father on speakerphone on behalf of a Russian oligarch, Yelena Baturina. Mr. Galanis testified that Vice President Biden said, "You be good to my boy."<sup>7</sup> An email produced by Mr. Galanis shortly after this phone call shows that Ms. Baturina committed to investing \$10-\$20 million to a new project in which Hunter Biden was involved.<sup>8</sup>
- Mr. Galanis provided additional evidence establishing that \$15 million was deposited into the Rosemont Seneca Bohai account, a company associated with Hunter Biden and Devon Archer.<sup>9</sup>

We have no doubt that providing this information to the Committees has placed Mr. Galanis at significant risk of retaliation. Notwithstanding those concerns, Mr. Galanis has fully cooperated with the Committees. We have learned through Mr. Galanis's testimony that he has been the victim of assault and harassment as an inmate at the Pensacola Federal Prison Camp, which necessitated his transfer to his current facility.<sup>10</sup> We have also learned that BOP and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York interfered to deny Mr. Galanis's petition for home confinement pursuant to the CARES Act. As you know, the Committees are actively examining these matters and whether they are connected in any way to Mr. Galanis's possession of incriminating information about President Biden's son.<sup>11</sup> Subcommittee Chairman Biggs intends to hold a hearing on July 23, 2024, for BOP Director Colette Peters to testify regarding BOP's handling of these matters.

We appreciate Mr. Galanis's willingness to continue cooperating with the Committees in the face of such difficult circumstances and are grateful for his cooperation in disclosing the truth about President Biden's involvement with his family's influence peddling. If you have any

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<sup>6</sup> *Supra*, n. 3 at 8-10.

<sup>7</sup> *Id.* at 10-11, 86-88.

<sup>8</sup> *Id.* at 12.

<sup>9</sup> *Id.* at 13, 109-11.

<sup>10</sup> *Id.* at 12-15.

<sup>11</sup> Letter from Rep. Jim Jordan, Chairman, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, Rep. James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Accountability, & Rep. Andy Biggs, Chairman, Subcomm. On Crime and Fed. Gov. Surveillance, H. Comm. on the Judiciary to Collette S. Peters, Director, Fed. Bureau of Prisons (Mar. 5, 2024); Letter from Rep. Jim Jordan, Chairman, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, Rep. James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Accountability, & Rep. Andy Biggs, Chairman, Subcomm. On Crime and Fed. Gov. Surveillance, H. Comm. on the Judiciary to Negar Tekeei, Assistant U.S. Attorney, S.D.N.Y. (Mar. 5, 2024)

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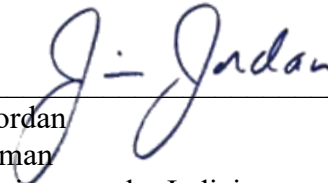
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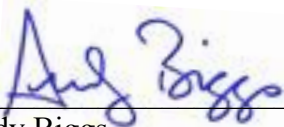
Sincerely,



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Chairman  
Committee on Oversight and Accountability



Jim Jordan  
Chairman  
Committee on the Judiciary



Andy Biggs  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Crime and Federal  
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Committee on the Judiciary

cc: The Honorable Jamie Raskin, Ranking Member  
Committee on Oversight and Accountability

The Honorable Jerrold Nadler, Ranking Member  
Committee on the Judiciary

The Honorable Sheila Jackson Lee, Ranking Member  
Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance  
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