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May 16, 2023

The Honorable Robert J. Contee III Chief of Police Metropolitan Police Department 411 4th Street, NW, 7th Floor Washington, D.C. 20001

Dear Chief Contee,

I write today to request that the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD) produce to the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on House Administration Subcommittee on Oversight the following records, pursuant to the Committee's oversight responsibilities over the security of the U.S. Capitol Complex. The Committee on House Administration Subcommittee on Oversight has the responsibility to oversee the safety and security of the Capitol complex, and the MPD is a valued and important partner in that effort.¹ The records listed below are necessary for this Committee to effectively conduct oversight of the United States Capitol Police and the House Sergeant at Arms, to evaluate the security failures that occurred on January 6th, 2021, and how to prevent the same failures in the future.

According to statements by the United States Attorney's Office in an ongoing criminal court case related to January 6th, there were both uniformed and plainclothes MPD officers present at the Capitol on January 6th, including at least one who used a GoPro camera to record in the crowd.² This is in addition to official footage from MPD body cameras that were worn by uniformed MPD officers on that day. These video records are essential to our review of security failures and ways to prevent these failures in the future.

Please provide to the Committee in complete, original, and unredacted format all documents, information, and records in custody and control of the MPD relating to the following items:

¹ See Rule 17(c)(2), Number and Jurisdiction of Subcommittees, https://cha.house.gov/sites/evo-

subsites/republicans-cha.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/cha-committee-rules-3.21.2322.pdf

² See "Government's Memorandum in Support of the United States Capitol Police Declaration of Thomas A. Dibiase and the Protective Order," United States. v. William Pope and Michael Pope, 21-cr-128 (D.D.C. 2021)

- 1. A list identifying all MPD officers on duty on January 6, 2021, who were engaged in activities concerning the restoration of civil order at or concerning the U.S. Capitol Complex, including their unit and any information on their assignment, and whether they were in uniform or plain clothes in their role as a law enforcement officer on January 6, 2021;
- 2. Any and all officer and department after action reports and after incident reports concerning the attack on the Capitol on January 6, 2021;
- 3. A list of all radio channels in use on January 6, 2021, with a description of the use of each channel;
- 4. Any and all recordings of radio communications transmissions from January 6, 2021, relating to the attack on the Capitol;
- 5. Any and all body camera recordings from officers who were at the Ellipse, who were positioned or present along the route from the Ellipse to the Capitol, and who were otherwise present on the Capitol Grounds at any time on January 6, 2021;
- 6. Any and all MPD electronic surveillance unit video recordings from January 6, 2021, relating to the attack on the Capitol;
- Any and all intelligence received, gathered, or created from December 20, 2020, to January 6, 2021, related to threats to the Capitol, and all internal and external communications relating to this intelligence.

If you do not have any of the requested records, please provide a written response explaining why you do not have the records. If another entity is in possession of the requested records, please provide a written response listing what entity is in possession of the records. Should you have questions concerning this correspondence, please contact Elliott Tomlinson, Deputy General Counsel, at Elliott.Tomlinson@mail.house.gov.

Your response, including any digital or physical records, should be delivered to the Committee on House Administration in 1309 Longworth House Office Building by May 30, 2023.

Respectfully,

Barry Condermilk Chairman Subcommittee on Oversight Committee on House Administration

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