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**House of Representatives**

COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM

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The Estate of Jeffrey Epstein  
Mr. Darren Indyke and Mr. Richard Kahn  
Co-Executors  
C/O Mr. Daniel Weiner, Esq.  
Partner  
Hughes Hubbard & Reed  
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Dear Mr. Weiner:

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is reviewing the possible mismanagement of the federal government's investigation of Mr. Jeffrey Epstein and Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell, the circumstances and subsequent investigations of Mr. Epstein's death, the operation of sex-trafficking rings and ways for the federal government to effectively combat them, and potential violations of ethics rules related to elected officials.

It is our understanding that the Estate of Jeffrey Epstein is in custody and control of documents that may further the Committee's investigation and legislative goals. Further, it is our understanding the Estate is ready and willing to provide these documents to the Committee pursuant to a subpoena. To that end, please see the attached subpoena for documents for delivery on or before September 8, 2025.

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On July 6, 2019, federal authorities arrested Mr. Epstein, and two days later an indictment was unsealed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District for New York charging him with sex trafficking of minors and conspiracy to engage in sex trafficking of minors.<sup>1</sup> According to the indictment, Mr. Epstein sexually exploited and abused dozens of minor girls at his homes in Manhattan, Palm Beach, and other locations.<sup>2</sup> Among other things, the indictment alleged that Mr. Epstein enticed girls as young as 14 years old to engage in sex acts with him in exchange for money.<sup>3</sup> This was not the first time that Mr. Epstein had been investigated for committing sex crimes. In 2008, he pled guilty in Florida state court to two prostitution offenses, and, in

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<sup>1</sup> Press Release, U.S. Dep't of Just., *Jeffery Epstein Charged In Manhattan Federal Court With Sex Trafficking Of Minors* (July 8, 2019).

<sup>2</sup> See Indictment, *United States v. Epstein*, 19 Crim. 490 (S.D.N.Y. 2019), at ¶ 1.

<sup>3</sup> *Id.* at ¶¶ 2-3.

exchange, he and his co-conspirators received immunity from federal prosecution through a non-prosecution agreement.<sup>4</sup>

On August 10, 2019, while in federal custody at the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York, New York, Mr. Epstein died.<sup>5</sup> The Chief Medical Examiner of New York City ruled his death a suicide.<sup>6</sup> Subsequently, on June 28, 2022, Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell was sentenced to 20 years in prison for conspiring with Mr. Epstein to sexually abuse minors.<sup>7</sup>

The facts and circumstances surrounding both Mr. Epstein and Ms. Maxwell's cases have received immense public interest and scrutiny. At the outset of the 119<sup>th</sup> Congress, on February 11, 2025, the Committee and the Task Force on the Declassification of Federal Secrets sent a letter to the Department of Justice ("DOJ") requesting a briefing regarding documents in the Department's possession regarding "the investigation into and prosecution of Jeffrey Epstein."<sup>8</sup> On May 8, the Task Force sent another letter to the Department requesting the public release of "the entirety of the Epstein files" and a briefing regarding the release of these files.<sup>9</sup>

On July 17, President Donald Trump posted on Truth Social, "I have asked Attorney General Pam Bondi to produce any and all pertinent Grand Jury testimony, subject to court approval..."<sup>10</sup> On July 18, in response to the President's direction, Attorney General Bondi posted on X, "[o]ur motion has been filed."<sup>11</sup>

On July 22, Attorney General Bondi posted a statement from Deputy Attorney General Todd Blanche on X stating, "If Ghislaine Maxwell has information about anyone who has committed crimes against victims, the FBI and DOJ will hear what she has to say."<sup>12</sup> Further, Deputy Attorney General Blanche stated, "This Department of Justice does not shy away from uncomfortable truths, nor from the responsibility to pursue justice wherever the facts may lead."<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> See *In re Wild*, 994 F.3d 1244 (11th Cir. 2021 (en banc)).

<sup>5</sup> William K. Rashbaum, Benjamin Weiser & Michael Gold, *Jeffery Epstein Dead in Suicide at Jail, Spurring Inquiries*, The NY TIMES (Aug. 10, 2019); see also Press Release, U.S. Dep't of Just., *Statement from Attorney General William P. Barr on the death of Jeffery Epstein* (Aug. 10, 2019).

<sup>6</sup> Memorandum from Dept' of Justice and Fed. Bureau of Investigation on Review of Investigative Holdings Relating to Jeffrey Epstein (Jul. 7, 2025), available at <https://www.justice.gov/opa/media/1407001/dl?inline>

<sup>7</sup> Press Release, U.S. Dep't of Just., *Ghislaine Maxwell Sentenced To 20 Years In Prison For Conspiring With Jeffery Epstein To Sexually Abuse Minors* (June 28, 2022).

<sup>8</sup> Letter from James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform, Anna Paulina Luna, Chairwoman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform, Task Force on the Declassification of Federal Secrets, to Pamela Bondi, Attorney General, U.S. Dep't of Just. (Feb. 11, 2025).

<sup>9</sup> Letter from James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform, Anna Paulina Luna, Chairwoman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform, Task Force on the Declassification of Federal Secrets, to Pamela Bondi, Attorney General, U.S. Dep't of Just. (May 8, 2025).

<sup>10</sup> Donald J. Trump (@realDonaldTrump), Truth Social Post (July 17, 2025, 9:07 P.M. E.T.), <https://truthsocial.com/@realDonaldTrump/posts/114871557460531003>

<sup>11</sup> Attorney General Pamela Bondi (@AGPamBondi), X Post (July 18, 2025, 7:09 P.M. E.T.), <https://x.com/AGPamBondi/status/1946346621274317115>

<sup>12</sup> Attorney General Pamela Bondi (@AGPamBondi), X Post (July 22, 2025, 7:037 A.M. E.T.) (statement of Dep. Attorney General Todd Blanche), <https://x.com/AGPamBondi/status/1947622027587723365>

<sup>13</sup> *Id.*

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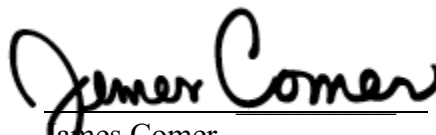
On August 5, 2025, the Committee issued a subpoena to DOJ for documents related to Mr. Epstein and Ms. Maxwell, including but not limited to documents contained within the case files regarding *United States v. Jeffrey Epstein* (19-cr-490) and *United States v. Ghislaine Maxwell* (20-cr-330) and documents and communications relating or referring to the death of Mr. Epstein.<sup>14</sup> Recent reporting indicates the estate of Mr. Epstein has access to documents relevant to the Committee's investigation, including the alleged "birthday book" prepared for Mr. Epstein by Ms. Maxwell.<sup>15</sup> The attached subpoena is meant to bolster the amount of information available to the Committee so that it may conduct its work.

It is imperative that Congress conduct oversight of the federal government's enforcement of sex trafficking laws generally and specifically its handling of the investigation and prosecution of Mr. Epstein and Ms. Maxwell. The Committee may use the results of this investigation to inform legislative solutions to improve federal efforts to combat sex trafficking and reform the use of non-prosecution agreements and/or plea agreements in sex-crime investigations. Additionally, the Committee is assessing possible legislation aimed at bolstering or otherwise amending laws aimed at ethics disclosures for elected officials.

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The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee of the U.S. House of Representatives and has broad authority to investigate "any matter" at "any time" under House Rule X.<sup>16</sup> If you have any questions regarding this subpoena, please contact Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Majority staff at (202) 225-5074.

Sincerely,

  
James Comer  
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Robert Garcia, Ranking Member  
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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<sup>14</sup> See Subpoena to Pamela J. Bondi, Attorney General, Dep't of Justice (Aug. 5, 2025).

<sup>15</sup> See, e.g., Rebecca Falconer, *These are the names that were reportedly in Epstein's birthday book*, Axios (July 25, 2025).

<sup>16</sup> Rule X, cl. 4(c)(2), Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives, 119th Cong. (Jan. 16, 2025).