Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable William P. Barr Attorney General United States Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530-0001

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Dear Attorney General Barr:

We write today regarding the Justice Department's investigation into Mr. Hunter Biden. In the last 24 hours, additional deeply troubling misconduct allegations have emerged which have shaken many Americans' faith in government. As a result of these allegations, we are requesting that you appoint an independent Special Counsel.

Yesterday, Politico ran a story entitled "Justice Department's interest in Hunter Biden covered more than taxes. Federal Prosecutors also have investigated foreign ties, possible money laundering." According to a person with knowledge of the probe, "activity in the investigation had gone covert in recent months due to Justice Department guidelines prohibiting overt actions that could affect an election ..."

Additionally, many distressing instances of possible misconduct were exposed in the September 2020 U.S. Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Government Affairs and Senate Finance Committee report entitled "Hunter Biden, Burisma, and Corruption: The Impact on U.S. Government Policy and Related Concerns." In our view, the Senate report raises many examples of possible illegal behavior that clearly warrants further investigation. In particular, section XI entitled "Hunter Biden's and his family's financial transactions with Ukrainian, Russian, Kazakh, and Chinese nationals raise criminal concerns and extortion threats" deserves special attention by the Justice Department. Section XI raises serious concerns about numerous foreign financial transactions while Hunter Biden's father was vice president.

The allegations of criminal misconduct against Mr. Hunter Biden and issues raised in the Senate report need to be taken seriously in order for there to be any chance for the country to move

¹ https://www.politico.com/news/2020/12/09/justice-department-interest-hunter-biden-taxes-444139

² https://www.cnn.com/2020/12/09/politics/hunter-biden-tax-investigitation/index.html

³ https://www.hsgac.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/HSGAC_Finance_Report_FINAL.pdf

⁴ Ibid.

past these scandals. It is imperative that these allegations are fully investigated, and that the investigations are free from any political interference.

Accordingly, we urge you to appoint an independent Special Counsel to investigate Hunter Biden as well as the serious allegations made in the Senate Committee report. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter, and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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