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UPDATED MEMORANDUM

February 7, 2023

To: Members, Committee on Oversight and Accountability

From: Committee Staff

Re: “Protecting Speech from Government Interference and Social Media Bias, Part 1: Twitter’s Role in Suppressing the Biden Laptop Story”

On Wednesday, February 8, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. E.T., in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Full Committee on Oversight and Accountability will host a hearing on “The Twitter Files.”

I. BACKGROUND:

In October 2020—only a few weeks before the presidential election—Twitter suppressed a story published by the *New York Post* that reported on Hunter Biden’s abandoned laptop that raised issues about then-former Vice President Biden.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

The hearing will examine the role former Twitter executives played in suppressing the Biden laptop story.

III. WITNESSES:

Vijaya Gadde

Former Twitter Chief Legal Officer (Feb. 2018 – Oct. 2022)

Yoel Roth

Former Twitter Senior Director, Head of Trust & Safety (May 2022 – Nov. 2022)

James Baker

Former Twitter Deputy General Counsel (June 2020 – Dec. 2022)

Former FBI General Counsel (Jan. 2014 – Dec. 2017)

Anika Collier Navaroli

Former member of Twitter’s U.S. Safety Policy Team