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**House of Representatives**

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**MEMORANDUM**

December 2, 2024

**To: Members, Committee on Oversight and Accountability**

**From: Committee Staff**

**Re: Hearing titled “Oversight of the U.S. Census Bureau”**

On **Thursday, December 5, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. ET in room HVC-210 of the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center**, the Full Committee on Oversight and Accountability will hold a hearing titled “Oversight of the U.S. Census Bureau.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

Article I of the U.S. Constitution requires a census of the population be taken every ten years to form the basis of apportionment and empowers Congress to carry out the decennial census “in such Manner as they shall by Law direct.” The House Committee on Oversight and Accountability has primary legislative jurisdiction over “Population and demography generally, including the Census” pursuant to House Rule X.

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

The hearing will enable members to conduct oversight of the U.S. Census Bureau’s activities, especially with respect to ongoing planning and preparation for the 2030 Decennial Census.

**III. WITNESS:**

**The Honorable Robert L. Santos**  
Director  
U.S. Census Bureau