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MEMORANDUM

January 15, 2026

To: Members, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

From: Committee Staff

Re: Full Committee Business Meeting

On **Wednesday, January 21, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. ET, in room HVC-210 of the U.S. Capitol Visitor Center**, the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform will hold a business meeting to consider the following:

- 1) H.Res. _____, Recommending that the House of Representatives find former President of the United States, William J. Clinton, in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.
- 2) H.Res. _____, Recommending that the House of Representatives find former Secretary of State, Hillary R. Clinton, in contempt of Congress for refusal to comply with a subpoena duly issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

I. RESOLUTIONS RECOMMENDING THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES FIND FORMER PRESIDENT WILLIAM J. CLINTON AND FORMER SECRETARY HILLARY R. CLINTON IN CONTEMPT OF CONGRESS FOR REFUSAL TO COMPLY WITH A SUBPOENA DULY ISSUED BY THE COMMITTEE ON OVERSIGHT AND GOVERNMENT REFORM:

A. Summary

William J. Clinton, former President of the United States (President Clinton), willfully failed to comply with a subpoena issued by the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform (Oversight Committee) relating to its investigation of (i) the possible mismanagement of the investigation into Mr. Jeffrey Epstein and Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell by the federal government, (ii) the circumstances and subsequent investigations of Mr. Epstein's death, (iii) the operation of sex-trafficking rings and ways for the federal government to effectively combat them, (iv) ways in which Mr. Epstein and Ms. Maxwell sought to curry favor and exercise influence to protect their illegal activities, and (v) potential violations of ethics rules related to elected officials. The subpoena required that President Clinton appear to testify at a deposition before the Oversight Committee.

After more than five months of negotiations, President Clinton refused to appear for his scheduled deposition. Former President Clinton's unwillingness to comply with the subpoena, even after the Committee agreed to postpone his deposition date, at his request, for over a month, has interfered with the Oversight Committee's investigation.

On January 13, 2026, President Clinton failed to comply with the Committee's subpoena by not appearing to testify at his deposition. Having exhausted all available options for obtaining compliance, the Chairman of the Oversight Committee recommends that the House of Representatives find former President William J. Clinton in contempt for his failure to comply with the subpoena issued to him to provide testimony at a deposition.

Hillary R. Clinton, former Secretary of State of the United States (Secretary Clinton), willfully failed to comply with a subpoena issued by the Oversight Committee relating to its investigation of (i) the possible mismanagement of the investigation of Mr. Jeffrey Epstein and Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell by the federal government, (ii) the circumstances and subsequent investigations of Mr. Epstein's death, (iii) the operation of sex-trafficking rings and ways for the federal government to effectively combat them, (iv) ways in which Mr. Epstein and Ms. Maxwell sought to curry favor and exercise influence to protect their illegal activities, and (v) potential violations of ethics rules related to elected officials. The subpoena required that Secretary Clinton appear to testify at a deposition before the Oversight Committee.

As with President Clinton, the Committee negotiated with Secretary Clinton's counsel for more than five months and agreed, at her request, to postpone her deposition date for over a month. Yet Secretary Clinton ultimately refused to appear for her deposition before the Oversight Committee. Her unwillingness to comply with the subpoena, even after the Committee agreed to postpone her deposition, has interfered with the Oversight Committee's investigation.

On January 14, 2026, Secretary Clinton failed to comply with the Oversight Committee's subpoena by not appearing to testify at a deposition. Having exhausted all available options for obtaining compliance, the Chairman of the Oversight Committee recommends that the House of Representatives find former Secretary Hillary R. Clinton in contempt for her failure to comply with the subpoena issued to her to provide testimony in a deposition.

B. Amendments

The Chairman will offer an ANS.

Staff contacts: Jack Emmer, Billy Grant, and Peter Spectre at (202) 225-5074.

II. AMENDMENT PROCESS:

Committee Rule 2(g) authorizes the chair of the Committee to prioritize the consideration of amendments filed 24 hours in advance of the consideration of matters before the Committee or subcommittees. Pursuant to this rule, and at the chair's discretion, the Committee may

consider amendments that are pre-filed with the Committee clerk prior to amendments offered at a markup.

Members should pre-file amendments with the clerk of the Committee by emailing a searchable, electronic PDF copy of the amendment prepared by the House Legislative Counsel directly to GOP Oversight Clerks at GOP.Oversight.Clerks@mail.house.gov at least 24 hours before the scheduled start of the business meeting. Members should include in the email accompanying the amendment text:

1. The name(s) of the Member(s) who will offer the amendment;
2. The name of the measure to be amended;
3. A brief, one-sentence description of the amendment; and
4. The name and phone number of a staff member who will serve as the point of contact for the amendment.

Pre-filed amendments will be compiled into a single roster, and the roster will be made available to Committee members prior to business meetings. Any amendment to a measure or matter before the Committee or a subcommittee should be germane to the measure or matter, including in scope, subject matter, and Committee consideration. Votes on amendments likely will be grouped together at a time determined by the chair, pursuant to Committee Rules.