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MEMORANDUM

August 3, 2023

To: Members, Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs

From: Committee Staff

Re: Joint Subcommittee hearing titled "Biden's Border Crisis and its Effect on American Communities"

On Tuesday, August 8, 2023, at 2:00 PM PST at Cochise College, Student Union Community Room, 901 N Colombo Avenue, Sierra Vista, AZ 85635, the Committee on Oversight and Accountability Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs, jointly with the Committee on the Judiciary Subcommittee on Crime and Federal Government Surveillance will host a hearing titled "Biden's Border Crisis and its Effect on American Communities."

I. BACKGROUND:

U.S. Border Patrol Agents made over 2.2 million encounters of illegal border crossers along the southern border in Fiscal Year 2022. That figure does not include individuals who evaded detection entirely, estimated at over 599,000 in Fiscal Year 2022. U.S. Border Patrol Agents have already made 1.5 million encounters of illegal border crossers in Fiscal Year 2023 through June. Encounters are currently particularly high in the Tucson Sector.

II. HEARING PURPOSE:

This hearing will examine the crisis at the southern border and its impact on American communities.

III. WITNESSES:

Mr. Andrew "Art" Arthur Resident Fellow in Law and Policy Center for Immigration Studies

Mr. Mark DannelsSheriff
Cochise County

Mr. John W. Ladd Rancher