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**MEMORANDUM**

April 11, 2024

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

**From: Committee Staff**

**Re: Hearing titled “How the Border Crisis Impacts Public Safety”**

On Tuesday, April 16, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. ET in room 2154 of the Rayburn House Office Building, the Subcommittee on National Security, the Border, and Foreign Affairs will host a hearing titled “How the Border Crisis Impacts Public Safety.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

Secretary Mayorkas issued a policy memorandum entitled “Guidelines for the Enforcement of Civil Immigration Law” noting that otherwise removable aliens with criminal histories are not automatically considered enforcement priorities by the Biden Administration. An ICE memorandum implementing Secretary Mayorkas’ “Guidelines for the Enforcement of Civil Immigration Law” clarified that “the existence of a criminal history alone, regardless of severity, will not necessarily indicate that a noncitizen presently poses a current public safety threat pursuant to the Secretary’s priorities.”

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

This hearing will examine how the border crisis impacts public safety.

**III. WITNESSES:**

**Hon. Ken Cuccinelli**

Senior Fellow for Immigration and Homeland Security  
Center for Renewing America

**Mr. Bill Waybourn**

Sheriff  
Tarrant County, Texas

**Mr. Mike Chapman**

Sheriff  
Loudoun County, Virginia