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**MEMORANDUM**

September 20, 2024

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

**From: Committee Staff**

**Re: Hearing titled “The Border Crisis: The Cost of Chaos”**

On Wednesday, September 25, 2024, at 2:00 p.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 “The Border Crisis: The Cost of Chaos.”

**I. BACKGROUND:**

Over 5.6 million illegal aliens have been released into the United States under the Biden-Harris Administration, a situation which has created human and fiscal costs for the American people. Illegal aliens have been implicated in serious crimes against Americans and foreign gangs have attempted to strengthen their presence in the United States. Local communities and states are bearing significant costs associated with receiving illegal aliens, including strains on taxpayer funded public resources.

**II. HEARING PURPOSE:**

This hearing will examine the costs of the border crisis on the American people.

**III. WITNESSES:**

**Chris Clem**  
Chief Patrol Agent (Retired)  
Yuma Sector  
U.S. Border Patrol

**Dr. Steven Camarota**  
Director of Research  
Center for Immigration Studies