



## MEMORANDUM

To: Members, Energy and Commerce Committee  
From: Majority Staff  
Re: Full Committee Business Meeting

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### I. INTRODUCTION

The Committee on Energy and Commerce has scheduled a business meeting for Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. (ET) in 2123 Rayburn House Office Building.

This meeting will address a procedural matter:

- The Committee on Energy and Commerce authorizing the release of the transcript from the March 7, 2024, full committee hearing to the U.S. Department of Justice. The title of the hearing was “Legislation to Protect Americans from the National Security Threats Posed by Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications.”

### II. BACKGROUND

The full Committee on Energy and Commerce held a hearing in executive session on March 7, 2024. The title of the hearing was “Legislation to Protect Americans from the National Security Threats Posed by Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications,” and the Committee received testimony on two bills: (1) H.R. 7520, the Protecting Americans’ Data from Foreign Adversaries Act of 2024, and (2) H.R. 7521, the Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act.

The witnesses who testified at the hearing included representatives from:

1. The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI);
2. The Department of Justice (DOJ); and,
3. The Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI).

On June 18, 2024, Matthew Hanson, Deputy Assistant Attorney General of the Department of Justice (DOJ) wrote to the Committee on Energy and Commerce requesting that the Committee provide the DOJ with a copy of the official classified transcript from the March 7, 2024, hearing.

Clause 2(k)(7) of Rule XI of the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives provides that:

Evidence or testimony taken in executive session, and proceedings conducted in executive session, may be released or used in public

sessions only when authorized by the committee, a majority being present.

Clause 2(k)(9) of Rule XI of the Rules provides that:

A witness may obtain a transcript copy of the testimony of such witness given at a public session or, if given at an executive session, when authorized by the committee.

As a witness at the March 7 hearing, DOJ is entitled to request a copy of its testimony given at the hearing. However, in order to accommodate this request, the Committee must authorize the release of the transcript.

To that end, the Committee will consider a motion to release the executive session transcript to the Department of Justice.

### **III. STAFF CONTACTS**

If you have questions regarding this meeting, please contact Noah Jackson with the Committee Staff at (202) 225-3641.