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Susan Ferensic
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Dear Ms. Ferensic:

We write to request a meeting with you to discuss the Weapons of Mass Destruction Directorate's work investigating the origins of SARS-CoV-2. Recently, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) publicly stated the FBI's position that COVID-19 was likely a result of a lab leak. According to Director Wray, "the FBI has for quite some time now assessed that the origins of the pandemic are most likely a potential lab incident in Wuhan."

We understand that the Weapons of Mass Destruction Directorate is investigating issues directly related to the origins of COVID-19 on behalf of the FBI. As Ranking Members of Committees with relevant oversight jurisdiction, information about your office's work is critical to our inquiry into the federal government's actions to identify the origins of COVID-19.

For this reason, we respectfully request an in-person meeting with you as soon as possible. Please provide our offices with your availability for this meeting no later than April 25, 2023. We look forward to learning more about the Directorate's work on this critical issue.

Sincerely,



Lindsey Graham
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary



Rand Paul, M.D.
Ranking Member
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