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Governor Pedro Pierluisi
Governor of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico
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Dear Governor Pierluisi:

Enclosed are post-hearing questions that have been directed to you and submitted to the official record for the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis on “A View from the States, Territories, and District: Governors Respond to the Omicron Variant,” held on Thursday, January 20, 2022.

In order to ensure a complete hearing record, please return your written responses to the Select Subcommittee by Friday, February 18, 2022. Please respond to each question in full and include the name of the Member. Your response should be addressed to the Select Subcommittee office at 2157 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515. Please also send an electronic version of your response by email to Yusra Abdelmeguid at Yusra.Abdelmeguid2@mail.house.gov.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this request. If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact Select Subcommittee staff at (202) 225-4400.

Sincerely,



James E. Clyburn
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Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Steve Scalise, Ranking Member

Questions for Puerto Rico Governor Pedro Pierluisi

January 20, 2022 Hearing: “A View from the States, Territories, and District:
Governors Respond to the Omicron Variant”

Questions from Rep. Nydia Velázquez (NY-07)

1. In your opening statement, you said that your “administration has been very proactive and creative with mandates throughout this pandemic” and that, since the summer of 2021, Puerto Rico has “required most of our workforce to be fully vaccinated.” How have Puerto Rico’s vaccination and other public health requirements been successful in enabling Puerto Ricans to minimize risk and disruption from the Omicron variant?
2. You testified that the American Rescue Plan has been “a blessing” for Puerto Rico. Can you elaborate on how the American Rescue Plan has impacted Puerto Rico’s pandemic response efforts, and whether it has contributed to Puerto Rico’s long-term economic development? Can you provide specific examples of how your office allocated and prioritized the disbursement of these funds?