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House of Representatives

SELECT SUBCOMMITTEE ON THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS

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MEMORANDUM

December 9, 2022

To: Members of the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis

Fr: Committee Staff

Re: Hybrid Hearing on “Preparing for and Preventing the Next Public Health Emergency: Lessons Learned from the Coronavirus Crisis”

On **Wednesday, December 14, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. E.T.**, the Select Subcommittee on the Coronavirus Crisis will hold a hybrid hearing on “Preparing for and Preventing the Next Public Health Emergency: Lessons Learned from the Coronavirus Crisis.”

This hearing will convene in person in 2154 Rayburn House Office Building and remotely using Zoom, which has been approved by the House, at the discretion of the Chairman, the witnesses, and other Members.

In light of current guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Office of Attending Physician (OAP), use of masks by Members and staff in the hearing room is optional. Individuals are advised that wearing a mask, particularly a properly fitted, medical-grade, filtration face mask (KN95 or N95 mask), is a very effective personal protective measure to reduce the risk of infection. Members and staff should consult CDC and OAP guidance regarding individual mask usage. Members and staff with coronavirus symptoms, a positive test, or exposure to someone with the coronavirus should participate in the hearing remotely.

Members attending remotely are asked to connect by 1:30 p.m. to ensure their participation and troubleshoot any connectivity issues. The hearing will be recorded and livestreamed for the public.

I. SCOPE AND PURPOSE OF HEARING

The hearing will review lessons learned during the Select Subcommittee’s two and a half years of work, and explore ways to strengthen the nation’s ability to prevent and respond to public health and economic emergencies

II. WITNESSES

Dr. Rick Bright

Former Director of the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) and Deputy Assistant Secretary for Preparedness Response

Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett

Assistant Professor of Immunology and Infectious Diseases
Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
Former Researcher, Vaccine Research Center, National Institutes of Health

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Additional witness may be added