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MEMORANDUM

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To: Members of the Subcommittee on Government Operations

Fr: Committee Staff

Re: Hearing on “Frontline Feds: Serving the Public During a Pandemic”

On Thursday, June 25, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., the Subcommittee on Government Operations will hold a hearing on federal guidelines for reopening government workplaces and examine how the government can protect federal employees while continuing operations and providing vital resources to the public.

The federal government is the largest employer in the United States, with more than 2.5 million federal public servants and an estimated 3.7 million federal contractors.¹ While the coronavirus pandemic has shuttered organizations and businesses across the country, federal workers have continued to serve the public and provide critical services either on the frontlines or behind the scenes teleworking from homes across the country and around the world.

I. WITNESSES

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¹ Office of Personnel Management, *Enterprise Human Resources Integration Statistical Data Mart* (online at fedscope.opm.gov); U.S. Postal Service, *Sizing It Up* (online at facts.usps.com/size-and-scope/); Project on Government Oversight, *Contractors and the True Size of Government* (Oct. 5, 2017) (online at www.pogo.org/analysis/2017/10/contractors-and-true-size-of-government/).