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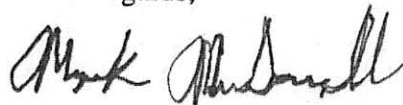
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Dear Mr. Mitchell,

I am writing to acknowledge your letter dated October 24, 2019, which I received by e-mail yesterday evening, in which you seek to schedule the testimony by oral deposition of Catherine Croft and Christopher Anderson. As you know, Ms. Croft and Mr. Anderson are career Foreign Service Officers and so we are in the process of contacting the Office of the Legal Adviser of the Department of State in an effort to learn the disposition of that Office with regard to the Committee's request.

We will be back in contact with you once know more – which I expect will be later today. Until then, we can offer no response or commitment with regard to the Committee's request.

Best regards,



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