

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

November 1, 2019

The Honorable David Hale
Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Hale:

Pursuant to the House of Representatives' impeachment inquiry, we write to request your appearance at a deposition on **November 6, 2019, at 9:00 a.m. at The Capitol, HVC-304.**


This deposition will be conducted jointly by the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, the Committee on Foreign Affairs, and the Committee on Oversight and Reform. The deposition transcript shall be part of the impeachment inquiry and shared among the Committees. Your failure or refusal to appear at the deposition, including at the direction or behest of the President, the White House, or the State Department shall constitute evidence of obstruction of the House's impeachment inquiry and may be used as an adverse inference against the President.

The Committees are investigating the extent to which President Trump jeopardized U.S. national security by pressing Ukraine to interfere with our 2020 election and by withholding a White House meeting with the President of Ukraine and military assistance provided by Congress to help Ukraine counter Russian aggression, as well as any efforts to cover up these matters.

Based upon public reporting and evidence gathered as part of the impeachment inquiry, we believe you have information relevant to these matters.

If you have any questions, please contact staff for the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence at (202) 225-7690.

Sincerely,



Eliot L. Engel
Chairman
House Committee on Foreign Affairs



Adam B. Schiff
Chairman
House Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence



Carolyn B. Maloney
Acting Chairwoman
House Committee on Oversight and Reform

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Michael McCaul, Ranking Member
House Committee on Foreign Affairs

The Honorable Devin Nunes, Ranking Member
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

The Honorable Jim Jordan, Ranking Member
House Committee on Oversight and Reform