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The Honorable Carolyn Maloney
Chairwoman
House Committee on Oversight and Reform
Rayburn House Office Building 2157
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Maloney,

In the course of proper due diligence of Congressional oversight functions, I write to you to formally request a hearing for former FBI Director James Comey, at the earliest possible date, to testify to potential misconduct and political bias in the investigation of former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn.

As you may know, on Friday, April 24, the Department of Justice provided material to Attorney Sidney Powell representing Flynn. Among the material are contemporaneous notes and emails from investigators on the case with statements such as:

- “what is our goal? Truth/Admission or to get him to lie so we can prosecute him?”
- “Could the admonition... be given at the beginning at the interview? Or does it have to come following a statement which agents believe to be false... it would be an easy way to just casually slip that in”

If the FBI is unsure of what their goal is in the course of a high-profile investigation, then it is proper that we should make sure how common this is within the FBI and that their investigations are always keeping with the mission of the Bureau. The evidence so far made public is clear that there is enough smoke in the air to pull the fire alarm. To exercise our responsibilities, we must be aware of how deep political decisions influenced the launch and conduct of investigations. When Inspector General Horowitz released his report on Crossfire Hurricane, it was only the prelude to a larger report about widespread FISA misconduct. Now, we must see if the misconduct perpetrated against Flynn is a prelude to revelations about larger political misconduct in the FBI.

The FBI has done impeccable work in cleaning up house since the days of J. Edgar Hoover. As no one wants those days to return to our country, I welcome the opportunity for Mr. Comey to present his case as to the conduct of the Flynn investigation and the potential political bias therein.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. Gregory Steube". The signature is written in a cursive style with large, flowing letters.

W. Gregory Steube
Member of Congress

CC: Congressman Jim Jordan (OH-04)