

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

October 3, 2019

Vice President Michael Pence
President of the Senate

Senator Mitch McConnell
Senate Majority Leader

Vice President Pence and Leader McConnell,

We write you concerning the disturbing conduct and statements of three Senators regarding the United States' relationship with Ukraine. At a time when our Democrat colleagues are pursuing impeachment against our President for alleged quid pro quo offers to the Ukrainian government in exchange for prosecuting potential political opponents, three Democrat Senators appear to have done exactly that in the Spring of 2018.

In a letter dated May 4, 2018, Senators Menendez, Leahy, and Durbin called for then-General Prosecutor of Ukraine Yuriy Lutsenko to investigate President Trump. Citing a New York Times article, the Senators accused Mr. Lutsenko of interfering with Special Counsel Mueller's investigation of Paul Manafort's activities in Ukraine and clearly pressured the government of Ukraine. To quote the letter: "As strong advocates for a robust and close relationship with Ukraine, we believe that our cooperation should extend to legal matters, regardless of politics... this reported refusal to cooperate with the Mueller probe also sends a worrying signal- to the Ukrainian people as well as the international community- about your government's commitment more broadly to support justice and the rule of law."

Another area of concern in the Senators' letter is their indication of support of Ukraine's "capacity building process" in the past, while at the same time expressing their strong encouragement for the Ukrainians to acquiesce to the demands of the three Senators. Moreover, the Senators' citation of a New York Times article as the primary source supporting their letter appears arbitrary and capricious.

While hypocrisy is certainly not a crime, it is highly unbecoming the office of a United States Senator. The documented actions of these three Senators are consistent with allegations recently leveled by an anonymous whistle blower against the President of the United States - allegations which are themselves undocumented and have since been discredited by President Zelensky of Ukraine himself, among others.

In light of the actions detailed above, we call for an investigation of the Senators in question, and whatever subsequent appropriate remedial action needed to hold them accountable. We do not ask this lightly, but it is critical to maintain public faith in the integrity of the Senate in these trying times.

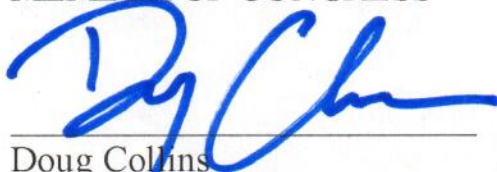
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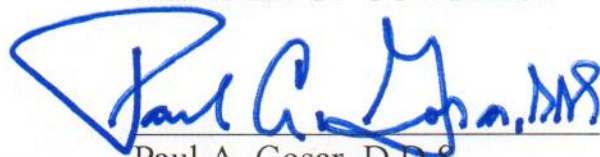
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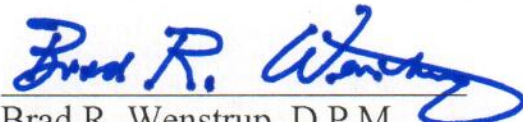
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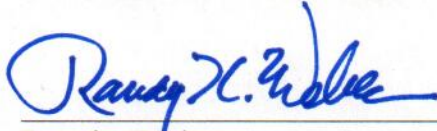
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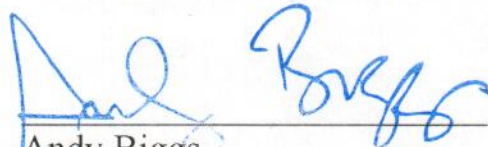
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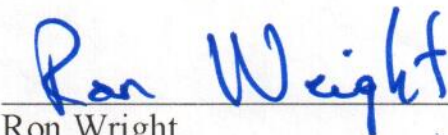
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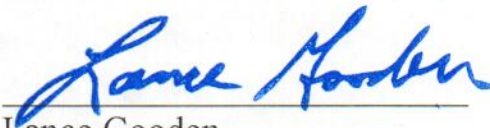
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Enclosure: 5-4-18 Senators Menendez, Leahy, and Durbin letter to Mr. Lutsenko