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<u>PROTECTED DISCLOSURE TO THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS</u>

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The Hon, Robert S. Mueller, III : Director Federal Bureau of Investigation U.S. Department of Justice 935 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, D.C. 20535

Re: CONTACT WITH SENATE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE MEMBER FBI Unit Chief Bassem Youssel

Dear Director Mueller:

This is to inform you that my firm has been retained by FBI Unit Chief Bassem Youssef on all matters related to his employment within the Federal Bureau of Investigation ("FBI").

In accordance with the First Amendment of the United States Constitution, and 5 U.S.C. 7211, Unit Chief Youssef hereby requests permission to meet directly with U.S. Senator Charles. Grassley and his staff concerning matters related to his employment with the FBI. Unit Chief Youssef is not requesting permission to conduct a "briefing" in his capacity as an FBI employee. Unit Chief Youssef's request is based on his status as a citizen of the United States and he would take annual leave for the time period involved in any such meeting.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. I look forward to your response within five working days.

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Respectfully submitted,

Stephen M. Kohn Attorney for Unit Chief Youssef

CC: Eleni Kalisch, Office of Congressional Affairs