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The Honorable Don Beyer U.S. Representative c/o
Chief of Staff

VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL:

Re: OSC File No. HA-20-000395

Dear Congressman Beyer:

This letter is in response to your letter of August 26, 2020, in which you alleged that former Acting Secretary of Homeland Security Chad Wolf violated the Hatch Act by presiding over a naturalization ceremony that was shown during the 2020 Republican National Convention. OSC investigated your allegation, along with other alleged violations of the Hatch Act by senior Trump administration officials, and has documented its findings and conclusions in the attached report. OSC has concluded that Mr. Wolf, along with at least 12 other senior Trump administration officials, violated the Hatch Act prior to the 2020 presidential election. Also included in the report is a description of the enforcement challenges that OSC faced in investigating these matters.

Please contact OSC attorney Eric Johnson at (202) 804-7044 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Ana Galindo-Marrone Chief, Hatch Act Unit

Attachment