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May 12, 2017

The Honorable Donald F. McGahn, II  
Counsel to the President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. McGahn:

On May 12, 2017 at 8:26 A.M., President Trump tweeted: "James Comey better hope that there are no 'tapes' of our conversations before he starts leaking to the press!"

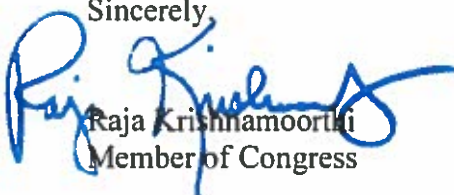
In light of the varied and divergent statements from the White House press briefing room regarding the firing of both former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn and former FBI Director James Comey, the production of such tapes would allow the facts of these terminations to come to light.

I respectfully submit the following requests to your office:

1. Please confirm the existence of "tapes" and/or a taping system in the White House. If such "tapes" or taping system exists, how long has it been active, who ordered the installation, and what is done with the recordings?
2. If in fact there are recordings of White House conversations, please submit the following tapes to the House Oversight Committee:
  - a. The President's communications with former FBI Director James Comey,
  - b. Any conversations regarding the hiring or firing of former National Security Advisor Michael Flynn,
  - c. The meeting with Russian Foreign Minister Lavrov and Ambassador Kislyak that was closed to American press, but not their Russian counterparts.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,

  
Raja Krishnamoorthi  
Member of Congress