

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6275

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Evan Turgeon Unit Chief FARA Unit National Security Division U.S. Department of Justice 175 N St, NE Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Turgeon:

I write to request records relevant to the Senate Judiciary Committee's consideration of the nomination of Pamela Jo Bondi, President-elect Trump's presumptive nominee to be Attorney General.

From January 2019 through November 2019, and again from January 2020 to present, Ms. Bondi has been a lobbyist with Ballard Partners. In this role, she has acted as a *Foreign Agents Registration Act* (FARA) registered lobbyist on behalf of several foreign governments or officials, including the government of the Dominican Republic, the Embassy of the State of Qatar, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Zimbabwe, and the Republic of Kosovo.

However, Ms. Bondi did not list any of these matters or clients as potential conflicts of interest on her Senate Judiciary Questionnaire. To understand the extent to which her work as a FARA-registered lobbyist may create potential conflicts of interest should she be confirmed as Attorney General, the Committee requires additional information from the Department of Justice that is not otherwise available. As you know, FARA-registered lobbyists must produce to the Department of Justice a copy of their written contracts or the conditions of any oral agreements with foreign principals, as well as statements on activities and money spent and received in connection with FARA-related lobbying. To that end, please provide the following information:

- 1. All registration statements Ms. Bondi has filed for her work on behalf of any foreign principal;
- 2. All written contracts or conditions of oral agreements Ms. Bondi has filed for her work on behalf of any foreign principal;
- 3. All statements on activities and money spent and received in connection with lobbying that Ms. Bondi has filed for her work on behalf of any foreign principal; and
- 4. All informational materials distributed in the United States that Ms. Bondi has filed for her work on behalf of any foreign principal.

¹ See 22 U.S.C. § 612(a) & (b).

Please provide these materials as soon as possible, and no later than January 15, 2025. I appreciate your prompt attention to this important request.

Sincerely,

Richard J. Durbin Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Chairman, Senate Committee on the Judiciary