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June 2, 2025

Susan Wiles
White House Chief of Staff
Executive Office of the President
Washington, D.C. 20500

David Warrington
White House Counsel
Executive Office of the President
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Wiles and Mr. Warrington:

I write to express my continued and growing concern regarding the Administration's failure to submit any financial disclosure reports for senior White House officials to the Office of Government Ethics (OGE) within the statutorily mandated period. As noted in an April 28 letter from 25 Members of Congress, which remains unanswered, these reports are a fundamental component of our government's transparency and accountability framework, and their absence undermines public trust in the integrity of this Administration.¹

Under federal ethics laws, senior executive branch officials – including senior White House employees and certain Special Government Employees – must file public annual financial disclosure documents, including a new entrant report, within 30 days of assuming their duties.² While reasonable extensions of up to 90 days may be granted by the White House's supervising ethics official for good cause, we are now beyond the maximum allowable filing period to submit new entrant reports for individuals who began their service at the outset of the Administration.³ According to OGE's disclosure database to date, no new entrant reports for any senior White House officials have been made available for public disclosure, despite legal requirements under the Ethics in Government Act and the clear public interest in the financial disclosures of senior executive branch leaders, raising questions as to whether the required public reports have yet to be submitted to OGE for certification.⁴

Public financial disclosures serve as a vital check against self-dealing, influence peddling, and corruption at the highest levels of government, allowing the American people and Congress to assess whether senior officials are making decisions in the public interest, rather than to advance their own private financial gains. For decades, administrations of both parties, including the first Trump Administration, have fulfilled this obligation, recognizing that public trust in government depends on robust, enforceable transparency standards. However, senior officials in this Administration have repeatedly failed to disclose

¹ Letter from Senator Schiff to White House Chief of Staff Susan Wiles, April 28, 2025, <https://www.schiff.senate.gov/wp-content/uploads/2025/04/Letter-to-WH-on-Financial-Disclosure-Transparency.pdf>.

² 5 U.S.C. § 13104

³ 5 U.S.C. § 13103(g)

⁴ 5 U.S.C. § 13105(l); STOCK Act, Pub. L. No. 112-105, 126 Stat. 291, § 11(b) (2012), as amended by Pub. L. No. 113-7, § 1(b)(2) (2013).

assets and business entanglements, as well as potentially misused their official positions for personal gain.⁵

This Administration's prolonged and unexplained failure to comply with well-established statutory obligations raises grave questions. While the President purports to demand "radical transparency" from the federal government, his top advisors refuse to assure the American people that they are not profiting from their positions or concealing serious conflicts of interest.⁶ Additionally, it remains unclear whether any disciplinary action, including assessment of late filing fees, has been initiated for those who have failed to produce the required disclosures.

Therefore, I request the following information no later than June 10, 2025:

1. a list of all White House officials required to file new entrant reports;
2. an explanation for the failure to transmit any new entrant reports to OGE for second-level review and certification;
3. the current status and anticipated timeline for the submission and public posting of all overdue disclosures;
4. a list of any filing extensions requested and granted by designated White House ethics officials and the duration of those extensions; and
5. whether any late filing fees have been imposed for delinquent filings, as required by law.

Transparency and compliance with ethics laws are essential. The American public deserves to know that those serving at the highest levels of government are free from financial conflicts of interest and have complied with the laws designed to safeguard the integrity of public service. I look forward to reviewing your responses.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam B. Schiff". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Adam" and last name "Schiff" being more legible than the middle initial "B".

cc: Jamieson Greer, Acting Director, U.S. Office of Government Ethics
Scott Gast, White House Designated Agency Ethics Official

⁵ The Washington Post, "Trump's border czar earned consulting fees from immigrant detention firm," May 27, 2025, https://www.washingtonpost.com/business/2025/05/27/border-czar-ethics-consulting-fees/?utm_source=chatgpt.com; Associated Press, "Legal experts say Trump official broke law by saying 'Buy Tesla' stock but don't expect a crackdown," March 21, 2025, <https://apnews.com/article/musk-trump-tesla-stock-lutnick-commerce-secretary-ethics-5a89c2f4a68a9470692630b5c56cffd6>; NBC News, "Trump turns the White House lawn into a Tesla showroom," March 11, 2025, <https://www.nbcnews.com/tech/elon-musk/trump-musk-tesla-white-house-showroom-buys-car-rcna195905>.

⁶ White House, "Fact Sheet: President Donald J. Trump Requires Transparency for the American People About Wasteful Spending," February 18, 2025, <https://www.whitehouse.gov/fact-sheets/2025/02/fact-sheet-president-donald-j-trump-requires-transparency-for-the-american-people-about-wasteful-spending/>.