



One Hundred Eleventh Congress
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

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The Privacy Coalition
Electronic Information Privacy Center
1718 Connecticut Ave, NW
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Washington, DC 20009

Dear Members of the Privacy Coalition,

The Committee has received your letter asking for an investigation of the Chief Privacy Officer at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Currently, the Committee is in the process of reviewing the programs outlined in your correspondence.

As you know, this Committee is committed to ensuring that our homeland is secure and the privacy and civil liberties of our citizens remain intact and protected. We will continue to examine the Department's programs and policies and vigorously address privacy concerns and issues.

Thank you for bringing these issues to our attention. We appreciate your diligent attention and active participation in safeguarding constitutionally protected rights.

If this Committee can be of assistance to you in the future, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Bennie G. Thompson".

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman