

June 11, 2026

The Honorable Pete Aguilar
Chairman
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The Honorable Ami Bera
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Nikki Budzinski
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Ed Case
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Gil Cisneros
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Henry Cuellar
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Lois Frankel
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Jared Golden
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Josh Gottheimer
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Chrissy Houlahan
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Greg Landsman
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Jared Moskowitz
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Frank Mrvan
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Scott Peters
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Mike Quigley

The Honorable Jim Himes
Ranking Member
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

The Honorable Sanford Bishop
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Janelle Bynum
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Kathy Castor
U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Herb Conaway
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The Honorable Don Davis
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The Honorable Laura Gillen
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The Honorable Vicente Gonzalez
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The Honorable Steny Hoyer
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The Honorable Susie Lee
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The Honorable Kristen McDonald Rivet
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The Honorable Donald Norcross
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The Honorable Marie Gluesenkamp Perez
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The Honorable Darren Soto

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The Honorable Thomas Suozzi

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The Honorable Gabe Vasquez

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The Honorable Kim Schrier

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The Honorable Eric Sorensen

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The Honorable Marilyn Strickland

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The Honorable Derek Tran

U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Marc Veasey

U.S. House of Representatives

The Honorable Debbie Wasserman Schultz

U.S. House of Representatives

Re: Protecting Americans From Trump's Warrantless Mass Surveillance Agenda

Dear Democratic Caucus Chairman Aguilar, Ranking Member Himes, Representatives Bera, Bishop, Budzinski, Bynum, Case, Castor, Cisneros, Conaway, Cuellar, Davis, Frankel, Gillen, Golden, Gonzalez, Gottheimer, Harder, Houlahan, Hoyer, Landsman, Lee, McDonald Rivet, Moskowitz, Mrvan, Norcross, Gluesenkamp Perez, Peters, Quigley, Riley, Schneider, Schrier, Sewell, Sorensen, Soto, Strickland, Suozzi, Tran, Vasquez, Veasey, Wasserman Schultz, and Whitesides:

As we approach the expiration of the 45-day extension of Section 702 of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, we are writing to express disappointment – and alarm – regarding your recent votes in favor of the White House's mass surveillance agenda. We strongly urge you to reconsider your support for any measure reauthorizing Section 702 without broadly popular, bipartisan reforms, including a genuine warrant requirement and closing the data broker loophole.

Voting for a clean reauthorization of Section 702 is co-signing the Trump administration's mass surveillance agenda. Key administration officials – including Stephen Miller, FBI Director Kash Patel, and outgoing DNI Tulsi Gabbard – have made it clear that this reauthorization fight is a White House priority, and that reform is an unacceptable impediment to the administration's agenda. Trump's FBI has a long history of surveillance abuses — including spying on [Black Lives Matter protesters](#) and [many others](#) – and Trump himself [recently admitted](#) that renewing FISA as-is means surrendering “Rights and Privileges as a Citizen.”

Over the past year, the Trump administration has systematically dismantled guardrails meant to prevent abuse. One of President Trump's first acts in office was to fire the three Democratic

members of the Privacy and Civil Liberties Oversight Board (PCLOB) – an entity that for nearly two decades had provided critical oversight of government surveillance authorities, including Section 702. A few months later, Kash Patel [shut down](#) the FBI's office of internal auditing, which was established in 2020 to monitor potential abuses of Section 702.

Further, the Department of Justice is an unreliable source of information about how Section 702 is being used. Courts across the country have [rebuked](#) the DOJ for providing inaccurate, incomplete or misleading information. It is also [currently ignoring](#) a bipartisan request from Senate Intelligence Committee Leadership to declassify a Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court opinion by May 15 – a commitment secured by Sen. Wyden during the most recent FISA extension negotiations.

There is mounting evidence that the Trump administration will continue to misuse Section 702. Trump's recent appointee for Acting Director of National Intelligence, Bill Pulte, has been a leader in the administration's efforts to [investigate and prosecute perceived political opponents](#). In his new position, Pulte has the power to oversee the government's use of this potent spying authority and to exploit intelligence agencies' warrantless access to Americans' communications to pursue political adversaries.

In April, the White House published its 2026 Counterterrorism Strategy, a [document](#) that reiterated the Trump administration's intent to use federal law enforcement and intelligence resources to target "left-wing extremists" domestically. As in previous [executive orders](#) and [national security presidential memoranda](#), the administration defines "left-wing extremists" to include "anti-fascist" groups, among others in this strategy document. These directives make it clear that this administration intends to weaponize a domestic surveillance apparatus to criminalize speech and other First Amendment-protected activities that challenge the White House's ideology and agenda.

It is alarming that, under these conditions in particular, any Democratic members of Congress would vote to extend a warrantless surveillance authority for this administration to wield with no meaningful oversight. The case for reforming Section 702 has never been more urgent. It is critical that you protect your constituents from the Trump administration's mass surveillance agenda.

Sincerely,

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Asian Law Alliance (California)
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Clean Elections Texas (Texas)
Common Cause
Consumer Federation of America
Cooperstown Oneonta Indivisible (New York)
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Defending Rights & Dissent
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Due Process Institute
Electronic Privacy Information Center | EPIC
Episcopal Diocese of Long Island (New York)
Fayetteville Police Accountability Community Taskforce (North Carolina)
Fight for the Future
Free Press Action
Free Speech For People
Freedom of the Press Foundation
Genesee Valley Citizens for Peace (New York)
Government Information Watch
Immigrant Legal Resource Center | ILRC
Indivisible Auburn WA (Washington)
Indivisible Bellingham (Washington)
Indivisible Bend (Oregon)
Indivisible Clackamas (Oregon)
Indivisible Columbia New York (New York)
Indivisible EMF — Edgewood, Milton, & Fife, WA (Washington)
Indivisible Evanston (Illinois)
Indivisible Fox Valley Rising (Illinois)
Indivisible Marching Buddies of Atlanta (Georgia)
Indivisible Maple Valley (Washington)
Indivisible Monroe County Illinois (Illinois)
Indivisible NWI (Indiana)
Indivisible Redmond (Oregon)
Indivisible Riverside (California)
Indivisible Sacramento (California)
Indivisible Stephentown (New York)
Indivisible Tompkins (New York)
Indivisible Ulster (New York)
Indivisible Washington's 8th CD (Washington)
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Interfaith Oceans--National Religious Coalition on Creation Care
International Press Institute (IPI)
Japanese American Citizens League
Jewish Climate Action Network, MA (Massachusetts)

Judson Memorial Church (New York)
Long Beach Alliance for Clean Energy (California)
Long Island Activists (New York)
Lucy Parsons Labs (Illinois)
MAS PACE Greater Los Angeles (California)
Muslim Advocates
Nashville Indivisible (Tennessee)
National Consumer Law Center
NETWORK Lobby for Catholic Social Justice
Nevada Chapter of the National Organization for Women (Nevada)
New York Progressive Action Network (New York)
Northwest Indivisible (Washington)
Oakland Privacy (California)
OCA Asian Pacific American Advocates, Greater Seattle Chapter (Washington)
Olive Action Group (New York)
Olympia Indivisible (Washington)
Oregon Consumer League (Oregon)
Organize for Peace
Partnership for the Advancement of New Americans (California)
Peace Action
People Power United
Presente.org
Project on Government Oversight
Project South
Public Citizen
Reporters Without Borders (RSF)
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cc: Democratic Members of the U.S. House of Representatives