



CENTER FOR SECURITY POLICY

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Hon. Chuck Grassley
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Grassley:

We want to express our deep appreciation for your efforts to expose alleged wrongdoing at the Department of Homeland Security. At a time when threats to our country are growing by the day – many of them exacerbated by policies of the Obama administration – your revelations offer an urgently needed warning that public safety is being endangered, and a basis for corrective actions.

Of particular concern are your findings that the administration has directed that individuals with known ties to the Muslim Brotherhood and other jihadist groups be given the so-called “hands-off” treatment. This arrangement seems to constitute a kind of “TSA Pre” for terrorist-sympathizers. It is unconscionable and should be stopped.

You are also to be commended for your leadership in uncovering evidence of the officially directed deletion of information from “watch list” data bases upon which DHS agents rely to protect the rest of us from enemies seeking to come into our country through manned ports of entry. Again, such behavior can only be described as an incipient – if not actual – threat to the security and well-being of untold numbers of Americans.

We urge you to continue to pursue these and other matters that have yet to become public, but that reportedly suggest even more far-reaching and systemic problems with DHS. We would welcome a chance to meet with you to discuss this vital work and ways in which the damage that has been done to the national and homeland security can be remedied.

Sincerely,

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