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Ms. Ghislaine Maxwell
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Dear Ms. Maxwell:

On July 23, 2025, at the direction of the Subcommittee on Government Operations, the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform (Committee) issued a subpoena to you for a deposition to occur at Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Tallahassee on August 11, 2025.¹ Since then, the Committee and your counsel engaged in good faith negotiations, including regarding the date and location of the deposition.

On July 29, your counsel informed the Committee that unless several conditions were met, you would invoke your Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination during the Committee's deposition.² These conditions include: (1) a grant of immunity, (2) the deposition occurring outside of FCI Tallahassee, (3) access to the Committee's questions in advance, and (4) the conclusion of your recent appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court and potential future habeas petition.³

Your testimony is vital to the Committee's efforts regarding Mr. Jeffrey Epstein, including the 2007 non-prosecution agreement and the circumstances surrounding Mr. Epstein's death. These investigative efforts may be used to inform potential legislation to improve federal efforts to combat sex trafficking and reform the use of non-prosecution agreements and/or plea agreements in sex-crime investigations.

Regarding your requested conditions, the Committee is willing to continue to engage in good faith negotiations. However, the Committee is unwilling to grant you congressional immunity pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 6005 at this time. Further, while the Committee is unwilling to send you questions in advance, the Committee will continue its long-standing practice of engaging in forthright and detailed discussions about scoping.

¹ Letter from James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform, to Ghislaine Maxwell (July 23, 2025) (cover letter with accompanying subpoena for Ghislaine Maxwell to appear for a deposition); *See e.g., Bid Protest Reform: Understanding the Problem, Hearing Before Subcomm. on Gov't Operations, 119th Cong. 1* (July 22, 2025) (Voice Vote on Motion to Direct the Committee to Authorize and Issue a Subpoena for Ghislaine Maxwell to Appear for a Deposition).

² Letter from David Oscar Markus, Esq., Markus Moss PLLC, to James Comer, Chairman, H. Comm. on Oversight & Gov't Reform (July 29, 2025).

³ *Id.*

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On July 30, the U.S. Supreme Court noticed that your petition for *writ of certiorari* will be considered at its conference on September 29.⁴ In light of this notice, the Committee is willing to delay your deposition until a date following the Court's *certiorari* determination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Comer". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "C".

James Comer
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Robert Garcia, Ranking Member
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

⁴ *Ghislaine Maxwell v. United States*, No. 24-1073 (U.S. July 30, 2025) (distributed for conference of Sept. 29, 2025).