

# Congress of the United States

## Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Tulsi Gabbard  
Director of National Intelligence  
1500 Tysons McLean Drive  
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January 29, 2026

Dear Director Gabbard:

We write regarding your participation in the FBI's execution of a search warrant at the Fulton County Election Hub and Operations Center on January 28, 2026, reportedly related to the 2020 presidential election, which President Trump continues to falsely claim he won.

In the year since your confirmation as Director of National Intelligence, you have puzzlingly sought to dismantle elements of the Intelligence Community organized to identify, assess, and counter foreign threats to U.S. elections. This has included dismantling the Foreign Malign Influence Center, the product of bipartisan legislation in 2019; declassifying a range of classified materials associated with the 2016 Presidential Election – in an apparent attempt to rewrite the well-established public record generated by the Special Counsel Investigation and the bipartisan Senate Select Committee on Intelligence investigation; and paralyzing intelligence production on foreign plans and intentions towards future U.S. elections. In parallel, the Attorney General and Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation have dissolved the Foreign Influence Task Force, which was established under President Trump's first term.

It is also deeply concerning that you participated in this *domestic* law enforcement action. The Intelligence Community should be focused on *foreign* threats and, as you yourself have testified, when those intelligence authorities are turned inwards the results can be devastating for Americans privacy and civil liberties. Accordingly, we request that you appear before the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence immediately to address the following:

1. Your reasoning for attending the FBI operation in Fulton County and what role you or any other IC employee has played in the conduct of this operation;
2. Under what legal authorities you or any other IC employee was involved in this operation; and
3. An update on any intelligence in your possession concerning foreign interference in U.S. elections, including the 2020 election and subsequent election cycles, and information on any analysis or activity IC personnel are conducting, or have conducted in the past year, related to the 2020 election.

Given the politically fraught nature of elections for federal office, any federal efforts associated with combatting foreign election threats necessitate public transparency, prompt updating of

Congressional intelligence committees, and clear commitment to non-partisan conduct. Your recent actions raise foundational questions about the current mission of your office, and it is critical that you brief the Committees immediately as part of your obligation to keep Congress fully and currently informed.

We expect your cooperation and look forward to your appearance before our committees.

Sincerely,

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Jim Himes  
Ranking Member  
House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence

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Mark Warner  
Vice Chairman  
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

cc:

Congressman Rick Crawford, Chairman, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence  
Senator Tom Cotton, Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence