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The Honorable Kathleen Sebelius
Secretary of Health and Human Services
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
2000 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Madam Secretary,

Thank you for your April 9, 2014 letter responding to my January 22, 2014 request for information about programs administered by the Department of Health and Human Services (“Department”). To advance the Committee’s oversight, I had asked a number of questions about the eligibility of foreign diplomats¹ to receive U.S. taxpayer-funded benefits, the number who have received such benefits, and the total cost. While your April 9, 2014 reply contained some helpful information, it unfortunately did not address many of the specific questions I raised. I am therefore writing to restate my request and ask that you please respond in an expedited manner.

For your convenience, the following list contains the questions that remain outstanding from my previous request:

1. In addition to Medicaid, please list all government administered medical programs which foreign diplomats might be eligible.
 - What are the eligibility criteria for each of these programs?
 - Over the last 10 years, how many foreign diplomats have used these programs? Please provide these data sorted by foreign diplomatic mission or international organization.
 - What was the total cost of the benefits provided? Please provide these data sorted by foreign diplomatic mission or international organization.
 - If there are no programs other than Medicaid, then please indicate that.

¹ In this and subsequent uses, “foreign diplomats” means all nonimmigrant aliens in the “A” and “G” visa classifications, including dependents and personal employees.

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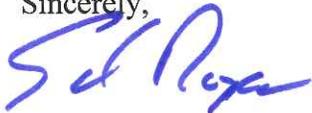
2. Are foreign diplomats eligible to participate in healthcare exchanges set up under the authority of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010, as amended (PPACA)?
 - If so, what are the eligibility criteria?
 - How many foreign diplomats are participating? Please provide these data sorted by foreign diplomatic mission or international organization.

3. Are foreign diplomats eligible for any subsidies, tax credits, or tax reductions made available under the authority of the PPACA?
 - If so, what are the eligibility criteria?
 - How many foreign diplomats have taken advantage of any subsidy, tax credit or tax reduction? Please provide these data sorted by foreign diplomatic mission or international organization.

4. Please list all cases over the last 10 years in which foreign diplomats fraudulently or inappropriately obtained Medicaid or other government-funded benefits administered by the Department.
 - What was the total cost of the benefits provided? Please provide these data sorted by foreign diplomatic mission or international organization.

I ask that you please provide this information **no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 8, 2014**. If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Thomas Alexander, Chief Counsel for Oversight and Investigations, at (202) 225-5021. Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



EDWARD R. ROYCE
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Elliot Engel, Ranking Minority Member, Committee on Foreign Affairs