

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 26, 2024

The Honorable Antony Blinken
Secretary of State
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Secretary Blinken,

The Department's failure to cooperate with our repeated inquiries dating back to June 2023 into the suspension of Mr. Robert Malley's security clearance is deeply troubling. Mr. Malley's alleged misconduct is serious, and the Department's lack of transparency and blatant disregard for the urgency of our requests is unacceptable.

On May 6, 2024, we sent you a letter requesting immediate answers to several questions regarding Mr. Malley's security clearance. Since then, we have gotten more information from the press than we have from you or your representatives. We have been made aware that there may be a classified response to our letter but have yet to receive it. This vague assurance, however, failed to include any information on when we could expect your reply or whether it would address all of our questions. We also note your lack of response to Questions for the Record from Ranking Member Risch about how you would handle your own involvement in the Malley case, given your longstanding personal relationship with Mr. Malley.

As such, please provide fulsome answers to our questions, with classified attachments as necessary, by no later than close of business on August 2, 2024. Should the Department miss this deadline, we will be compelled to pursue compulsory processes to secure any documents, materials, and testimony relevant to our investigations from key members of your team.

Sincerely,



Michael T. McCaul
Chairman
House Foreign Affairs Committee



James E. Risch
Ranking Member
Senate Foreign Relations Committee