Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

October 20, 2025

The Honorable Kristi Noem Secretary of Homeland Security MS 0525 Department of Homeland Security 2707 Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Secretary Noem,

We appreciate the job you are doing to keep Americans safe here at home and write you as members of the Louisiana congressional delegation to request a briefing regarding how Mahmoud Amin Ya'qub Al-Muhtadi came to reside in Lafayette, Louisiana, after entering the United States in 2024 during the Biden Administration's dangerous open borders policy.

According to public reporting and Department of Justice filings, Al-Muhtadi is alleged to have participated in the October 7, 2023, Hamas-led terrorist attacks against Israel and to have entered the United States the following year after falsely concealing his affiliations on his visa application. He was later located living and working in Lafayette, Louisiana, before being taken into custody by federal authorities.

We would also like to be informed about any additional terrorist threats in our state due to President Biden's dangerous and deadly immigration policies.

We appreciate your leadership at the Department and your continued commitment to keeping our communities and our nation safe. We look forward to a briefing from your team to help us understand the circumstances surrounding this individual's entry and residence in Louisiana.

Respectfully,

Mike Johnson

Speaker of the House

Dr. Bill Cassidy

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Steve Scalise

House Majority Leader

John Kennedy

United States Senator

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