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The Honorable James R. Clapper
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Washington, DC 20511

Via Email, Mail and Facsimile

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Re: DNI Assessment of Intelligence Community Policies Directed by the White House

Dear Director Clapper:

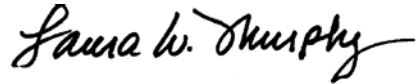
In July 2014, in response to an article published by the *Intercept* reporting on domestic surveillance of American Muslims, the White House requested that you conduct an assessment of intelligence community policies, directives and training standards to promote tolerance and diversity. We write to request a meeting to discuss the status and scope of your review process.

According to media reports, you completed an initial review within weeks of the White House request and committed to expanding multicultural and diversity sensitivity training, as well as re-establishing an external advisory board on diversity and inclusion. These measures may be necessary. However, they do not directly address the persistent problem of agencies engaging in surveillance and investigation practices without particularized suspicion of wrongdoing and that instead target entire communities and raise concerns about racial, ethnic and religious profiling. Nor do these measures address surveillance and investigation practices that target individuals and communities based on mere association and activities that are protected by the First Amendment, including their political activism and religious observance and worship.

We also urge you to publicly disclose the status and scope of your review process, and set out your plans to engage with civil society groups about appropriate reforms. As you may know, a coalition of more than fifty civil liberties, human rights and religious organizations wrote President Obama in response to the *Intercept* article and urged a full accounting of the reported practices (see Annex). These issues are of wide interest and continuing public concern.

We would appreciate the opportunity to discuss these matters further. If we can provide any information in advance of the meeting or provide scheduling details, please contact ACLU Legislative Counsel Naureen Shah at 202-675-2327.

Sincerely,

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