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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about transparency. As an elected official you are answerable to those who hired you and our proxies in congress. Unfortunately your administration has been historically opaque, steadfastly refusing almost every request for information. Congressman Cummings reports zero responses to a dozen letters from the House Oversight Committee ranging from routine to serious. Politico reports checking seventeen requests and again finding most were ignored. Several high profile examples are particularly troubling. There are reports that Treasury is being told to delay a Ways and Means request for tax records. Attorney General Barr is going to great lengths to hide the long anticipated report by Special Counsel Mueller. Records around decisions such as changing the census and granting initially rejected security clearances have also been held tightly. All this secrecy leaves the impression of serious corruption.

Please assure me that you will answer requests from congress.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our honest government.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson