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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about intelligence as politics. The House Intelligence Committee under the leadership of Representative Nunes has not protected secret information. Yesterday the committee voted to release a report with no official review which the Justice Department regards as too sensitive and a large minority of the committee felt needed a rebuttal. Representative Nunes had previously recused himself because of unauthorized releases of secret information and reports had suggested that he none the less retained control by vetoing witnesses. His shenanigans with late night visits to the white house were right out of a spy novel. This blatantly political abuse of intelligence is destructive to the effectiveness of the FBI and the cavalier release of information will endanger current operatives as the slaughter of a score of our Chinese contacts makes clear and will make future work more difficult as sources worry about their security.

Please assure me that you will stop the release of this sensitive memo.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson