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ASSISTANT SECRETARY

June 20, 2014

The Honorable Dave Camp  
Chairman  
Committee on Ways and Means  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Camp:

I write in response to your recent letter to Secretary Lew regarding the Committee's investigation related to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration's May 14, 2013 audit report. Since Congress's investigations began over a year ago, the IRS has produced over 700,000 pages of documents covering a period of over four years, over 35 IRS and Treasury employees have been interviewed, and over 15 hearings have been conducted where questions relating to these issues have come up. There has been no evidence that Treasury was involved in the screening of applications for tax-exempt status described in the TIGTA report or that Lois Lerner communicated with anyone at the Treasury Department about these matters.

Nonetheless, Treasury is committed to continuing to work with Congress as it performs its oversight role. Treasury has conducted searches to identify communications with Lois Lerner, not limited by subject matter. Enclosed you will find the materials we have located that are responsive to your request for communications between Lois Lerner and any persons within Treasury for the period between January 1, 2009 and May 1, 2011.

In response to your questions, IRS informed Treasury in April 2014 that Ms. Lerner's custodial email box appeared to contain very few emails prior to 2011. Treasury agreed with the IRS that it should inform Congress as soon as it was able to provide accurate and complete information, although Treasury ultimately deferred to the IRS on how to handle the matter.

Thank you for your letter. We are firmly committed to cooperating with the Committee's review.

Sincerely,

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Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs

Enclosure

Identical letter sent to:

The Honorable Charles Boustany, Jr.

THE WHITE HOUSE

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June 18, 2014

The Honorable Dave Camp  
Chairman  
Committee on Ways and Means  
United State House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Ron Wyden  
Chairman  
Committee on Finance  
United State Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairmen Camp and Wyden:

I write in response to your letters to the President dated June 16, 2014 and June 17, 2014, respectively, regarding the Committees' investigations related to the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) and the Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration's May 14, 2013 audit report. Your letters requests all communications between Lois Lerner and any persons within the Executive Office of the President (EOP) for the period between January 1, 2009 and May 1, 2011.

We conducted a search for responsive documents and were unable to identify any communications between Lois Lerner and persons within the EOP during the requested period. We identified three communications where a third party emailed both Lois Lerner and persons within the EOP. One communication is a spam email from October 2009. Two communications are emails from February 2009 where a person sought tax assistance and, according to one of the emails, included a number of officials in Congress and at Federal agencies as recipients. These documents are enclosed. As the two documents from February 2009 include personally identifiable taxpayer information, we trust you will treat the information with appropriate care.

Chairman Camp's letter also asked when the EOP was informed, and by whom, that some of Lois Lerner's emails could not be located. In April of this year, Treasury's Office of General Counsel informed the White House Counsel's Office that it appeared Ms. Lerner's custodial email account contained very few emails prior to April 2011 and that the IRS was investigating the issue and, if necessary, would explore alternate means to locate additional emails.

Sincerely,



W. Neil Eggleston  
Counsel to the President

Enclosures