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## One Hundred Seventeenth Congress

## Select Committee to Investigate the Ianuary 6th Attack on the United States Capitol

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VIA US MAIL

Alexander "Alex" Jones



Dear Mr. Jones:

Pursuant to the authorities set forth in House Resolution 503 and the rules of the House of Representatives, the Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the United States Capitol ("Select Committee") hereby transmits a subpoena that compels you to produce the documents set forth in the accompanying schedule by December 6, 2021, and to appear for a deposition on December 18, 2021.

The Select Committee is investigating the facts, circumstances, and causes of the January 6th attack and issues relating to the peaceful transfer of power, in order to identify and evaluate lessons learned and to recommend to the House and its relevant committees corrective laws, policies, procedures, rules, or regulations. The inquiry includes examination of how various individuals and entities coordinated their activities leading up to the events of January 6, 2021.

The investigation and public reports have revealed credible evidence of your involvement in the events within the scope of the Select Committee's inquiry. According to press reports and statements by you, you worked with Cindy Chafian and Caroline Wren to help organize the January 6, 2021, Women for America First ("WFAF") rally held on the Ellipse in Washington, D.C., including by facilitating a donor, now known to be Julie Fancelli, to provide what you characterized as "eighty percent" of the funding. President Trump spoke at the rally shortly before the attack on the Capitol, urging the crowd to "fight much harder" and to "stop the steal." You were reportedly denied a speaking slot at the WFAF event but, at the request of President Trump, were offered a venue to, and did in fact, speak at the January 5, 2021, rally on Freedom Plaza sponsored by Ms. Chafian's Eighty Percent Coalition.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Documents on file with the Select Committee; Mike Spies & James Pearson, *Text Messages Show Top Trump Campaign Fundraiser's Key Role Planning the Rally that Preceded the Seige*, PRO PUBLICA (Jan. 30, 2021), <a href="https://www.propublica.org/article/trump-campaign-fundraiser-ellipse-rally">https://www.propublica.org/article/trump-campaign-fundraiser-ellipse-rally</a>; *The Alex Jones Show* (Jan. 7, 2021), <a href="https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5ff78ebd04bcc034cc085a73&list=5d81058ce2ea200013c01580">https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5ff78ebd04bcc034cc085a73&list=5d81058ce2ea200013c01580</a> (starting at 9:18).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Joshua Kaplan & Joaguin Sapien, *New Details Suggest Senior Trump Aides Knew Jan. 6 Rally Could Get Chaotic*, PRO PUBLICA (June 25, 2021), <a href="https://www.propublica.org/article/new-details-suggest-senior-trump-aides-knew-jan-6-rally-could-get-chaotic">https://www.propublica.org/article/new-details-suggest-senior-trump-aides-knew-jan-6-rally-could-get-chaotic</a>.

Though you did not speak at the Ellipse rally, you were there. As you have stated, the White House told you on or about January 3, 2021, that after the Ellipse rally ended on January 6th, you were to lead a march to the Capitol, where President Trump would meet the group.<sup>3</sup> You did in fact march from the Ellipse rally to the Capitol, accompanied by Ali Alexander (also known as Ali Abdul Razaq Akbar) and others. When you arrived at the Capitol, you were recorded telling people not to be violent and to gather on the east side of the Capitol to hear President Trump speak.<sup>4</sup> That location coincided with a site for which Mr. Alexander's Stop the Steal had organized and obtained a permit for a rally that day, though using the name "One National Under God." President Trump, however, did not leave the White House to come to the Capitol.

In the lead-up to the events of January 6, you and others on Infowars repeatedly promoted President Trump's allegations of election fraud and urged people to come to Washington, D.C. for the January 6 Ellipse rally, and made statements implying that you had knowledge about the plans of President Trump with respect to the rally.<sup>6</sup> Indeed, after President Trump tweeted on Saturday, December 19, 2020, "Big protest in D.C. on January 6th. Be there, will be wild!," you went on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Alex Jones Show (Jan. 7, 2021), <a href="https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5ff78ebd04bcc034cc085a73&list=5d81058ce2ea200013c01580">https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5ff78ebd04bcc034cc085a73&list=5d81058ce2ea200013c01580</a> (starting at 9:18).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See, e.g., Lena V. Groeger, et al., What Parler Saw During the Attack on the Capitol (Pro Publica, Jan. 17, 2021), <a href="https://projects.propublica.org/parler-capitol-videos/?id=5QCkdwJRD0a3">https://projects.propublica.org/parler-capitol-videos/?id=5QCkdwJRD0a3</a> (marching down Pennsylvania Avenue at 1:10 p.m.); <a href="https://projects.propublica.org/parler-capitol-videos/?id=BQQyPL9LxpLz">https://projects.propublica.org/parler-capitol-videos/?id=BQQyPL9LxpLz</a> (telling crowd "Trump's on his way" and to "get to the other side of the Capitol" at 1:36 p.m.); <a href="https://projects.propublica.org/parler-capitol-videos/?id=BQQyPL9LxpLz">https://projects.propublica.org/parler-capitol-videos/?id=Lap0L50xI3S5</a> (standing in front of Ali Alexander and telling crowd, "Go to the other side of the Capitol, that's where Trump's going to be" at 1:54 p.m.).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Documents on file with the Select Committee; Ali Alexander, *Statement on Illegitimate Impeachment and January 6th*, <a href="https://stopthesteal.us/statement">https://stopthesteal.us/statement</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See e.g., The Alex Jones Show, Deep State Panicked After Trump Calls on American People to March on D.C. (Dec. 20, 2020) ("That's the biggest news of the day. He's calling on you now. He needs your help. We need your help. America needs to stand up. We need ten million people there on January 6th. . . . We're going to descend on the swamp January 6th. The President is going to be attending the rallies. He's announced he's going to be there. This is going to be mega massive"), <a href="https://banned.video/watch?id=5fe00281aff29e08ae9ac65a">https://banned.video/watch?id=5fe00281aff29e08ae9ac65a</a>; The Alex Jones Show, Will President Trump Speak at January 6th MAGA Rally in DC? (Dec. 29, 2020) ("Now I know some incredible information that I am not at liberty to tell you. But I am at liberty to just give you a hint, which I don't think is too hard. You notice Trump said, 'January 6th will be wild in D.C.'? Well it will be wild. And I can tell you the Twilight Zone nature of all of this went up to a whole new level yesterday. And I'll just leave it at that. . . . Well let's just say you're going to want to go to D.C. on the 6th. It will show the globalists we know Trump really won. And it will begin the process one way or another of removing the globalist puppet Joe Biden. And I mean by impeachment or keeping him from getting in on the 20th"),

https://banned.video/watch?id=5feb6faea981ab18e1a3d2b4; The Alex Jones Show, BREAKING: President Trump Will Officially Speak At MAGA March In DC On January 6th (Dec. 30, 2020) ("Alright folks, we've got some big, breaking, exclusive news here for you that I am now authorized to tell you. . . . This one's going to be the big one to repudiate the whole system. . . . The President has not decided exactly when he's going to speak, but it's going to be him with his supports on the 6th, probably at about 12:30 right before all the big debates in the Senate kickoff at 1:00 p.m. Eastern"), https://banned.video/watch?id=5fecef489e16791e714c5aa8; Just Another Channel, January 6th, 2021, Washington, D.C. [TRAILER] (Dec. 30, 2020),

https://banned.video/watch?id=5fec6ee4795db01df74c9ef5; War Room with Owen Shroyer, *President Trump to Provide Specific Evidence of Voter Fraud on January 6th* (Dec. 30, 2020),

https://banned.video/watch?id=5fed2ab82d1c001f1e62ac4e; Sunday Night Live, *President Trump and America Fight for It's [sic] Life on Jan 6th* (Jan. 3, 2021), https://banned.video/watch?id=5ff2905c0fe045288c6acd43; <sup>7</sup> Trump, Donald J. [@realDonaldTrump]. "Peter Navarro releases 36-page report alleging election fraud 'more than sufficient' to swing victory for Trump [link omitted]. A great report by Peter. Statistically impossible to have lost

Infowars that same day and called the tweet "One of the most historic events in American history[.]" You continued:

But finally Trump has done the right thing.... He is now calling on We the People to take action and to show our numbers.... This is the most important call to action on domestic soil since Paul Revere and his ride in 1776. The time for games is over. The time for action is now. Where were you when history called? Where were you when you and your children's destiny and future was [sic] on the line? I've been on the air 27 years, and I've never reported on anything that comes as close to being this huge. This is seismic.

. . .

And if you allow this multinational consortium to steal our election, you have committed not just us, but yourselves, to a living hell. . . . Trump is trying to do a lot of good things. And he is our President and he was reelected.

. . .

If you feel like you're being robbed, and you've seen the evidence of that, and you're upset, and you have that bad sinking feeling we've all got, then stand up and speak out and promote this massive event coming up in D.C. on January 6th. Where a sitting U.S. President, for the first time in my lifetime, is calling on Americans to march on D.C. to save our country from a foreign takeover. This is so real. This is so epic. This is so historic. This is so incredibly dangerous if we don't take action. I know you will. And I know we're going to see ten million people in Washington, D.C. on January 6th. And I'm going to be there.

Now if you choose to accept this mission, take this video at banned.video and share it with everyone you know. Because if you don't take action, we'll be defeated. If you do take action, we will win. God bless and good luck.<sup>9</sup>

On December 31, 2020, Matt Bracken stood in for you as a guest host on the Alex Jones Show.<sup>10</sup> Mr. Bracken stated during the broadcast, while images of QAnon-related tattoos were displayed (two with the acronym WWG1WGA, meaning "Where we go one, we go all"):

We're not going to be saved by anybody above us. We're going to only be saved by millions of Americans moving to Washington, occupying the entire area, if necessary storming right into the Capitol. We know the rules of engagement. If you have enough people, you can push down any kind of a fence or a wall. But if

the 2020 Election. Big protest in D.C. on January 6th. Be there, will be wild!" Twitter, (December 19, 2020), https://www.thetrumparchive.com/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> The Alex Jones Show, *Trump Declares National Emergency! Calls For Americans To March Against The Swamp January 6, 2021* (Dec. 19, 2020), <a href="https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5fde8270a8d3d905041c357a">https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5fde8270a8d3d905041c357a</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> *Id.* Comments left by people visiting the site for the episode included the following two: 1) "I am Not going unless we go armed to the teeth. Protesting and waving flags does Nothing. We need to show them that we mean business. With Fear comes Respect. Go unarmed to an antigun liberal city where the crooked dc police do not protect the citizens from harm? Good luck with that." 2) "Alex, you know it's not possible through a peaceful way. I don't say we have to burn down Washington but if nothing happens people definitely need to raid the congress." <a href="https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5fde8270a8d3d905041c357a">https://www.banned.video/watch?id=5fde8270a8d3d905041c357a</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> The Alex Jones Show, *January 6th Will Be a Turning Point in American History* (Dec. 31, 2020), https://banned.video/watch?id=5fee715284a7b6210e12a2f7.

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not enough patriots show up, then we're just going to watch our freedom go down the drain.  $^{11}$ 

Accordingly, the Select Committee seeks documents and a deposition regarding these and other matters that are within the scope of the Select Committee's inquiry. A copy of the rules governing Select Committee depositions, and document production definitions and instructions are attached. Please contact staff for the Select Committee at 202-225-7800 to arrange for the production of documents.

Sincerely,

Bennie G. Thompson

Chairman

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> *Id*.