IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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JOINT MEET AND CONFER REPORT

Pursuant to Section 3(b)(ii) of this Court's Standing Order, ECF No. 4, and this Court's June 23, 2021 Minute Order, Plaintiff Citizens for Responsibility and Ethics in Washington and Defendant United States Department of Justice (DOJ) have conferred by phone and respectfully submit the following joint meet and confer report.

- 1. This case concerns Plaintiff's FOIA request dated February 14, 2020 seeking records from various DOJ components, including without limitation the Office of the Attorney General, the Office of the Deputy Attorney General, the Office of the Associate Attorney General, and the Office of Legislative Affairs. DOJ's Office of Information Policy (OIP) is responsible for processing FOIA requests for records within OIP and these senior leadership offices specified in Plaintiff's FOIA request.
- 2. Defendant has not yet made a final determination with respect to Plaintiff's FOIA request.
- 3. Defendant has completed initial keyword searches and is in the process of conducting a responsiveness review. Defendant anticipates that within the next 14 days

Defendant will be in a position to propose a response schedule, including an anticipated schedule for when Defendant would issue a final response.

4. The parties therefore propose to file a joint status report on or before July 20, 2021 that addresses the issues listed in Part 3(b)(ii) of the Court's Standing Order, ECF No. 4.

Dated: June 30, 2021 Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on June 30, 2021 a copy of the foregoing Joint Meet and Confer Report was filed electronically via the Court's ECF system, which effects service upon counsel of record.

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