IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA :

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v. : CRIMINAL NUMBERS:

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ELMER STEWART RHODES III, : 22-cr-15-APM

KELLY MEGGS,

KENNETH HARRELSON,

JESSICA WATKINS,

JOSHUA JAMES,

ROBERTO MINUTA,

JOSEPH HACKETT,

DAVID MOERSCHEL,

BRIAN ULRICH,
THOMAS CALDWELL,

EDWARD VALLEJO,

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DONOVAN CROWL, : 21-cr-28-APM

SANDRA PARKER,

BENNIE PARKER, :

LAURA STEELE,

CONNIE MEGGS,

WILLIAM ISAACS, :

JAMES BEEKS, and

JONATHAN WALDEN, : 22-cr-14-APM

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Defendants. :

GOVERNMENT'S CERTIFICATION IN RESPONSE TO COURT'S DECEMBER 23, 2021 ORDER

In its December 23, 2021 order denying Defendant Kelly Meggs's motion for a subpoena to the U.S. Capitol Police, the Court directed the government to "certify . . . that it has requested and sought all records from the U.S. Capitol Police that reflect any communications made to the Presiding Officer of each House, and any other involved persons, that led to the decision to recess the Certification of the Electoral College vote count on January 6, 2021." ECF 565 at 2. The government so certifies.

Specifically, the government has conferred with the U.S. Capitol Police's general counsel and his staff to identify and secure any responsive records. The records may include contemporaneous records such as radio communications, recorded phone calls, text messages, and emails. The records may also include subsequently created records such as after-action reports. The government has already provided many of these records in discovery and is in the process of obtaining and producing the remainder of the records.

Though not called for in Defendant Meggs's motion or the Court's order, the government also notes that it intends to produce in discovery, in addition to records in the custody of the U.S. Capitol Police, records created by the FBI that may reflect the communications or actions that led to the decision to recess each chamber. These records include memoranda of interviews with relevant personnel, including select employees of the U.S. Capitol Police, including plain-clothes officers who were in the House and Senate chambers; the U.S. Secret Service; the House of Representatives, including individuals who work for the Parliamentarian, Sergeant at Arms, and Clerk; and the Senate, including individuals who work for the Secretary.

Publicly available records, including the Congressional Record and the C-SPAN video feeds of each chamber, also show the official actions in each chamber leading up to and including the recesses. The government has also obtained directly from the House and Senate, and subsequently produced in discovery, each chamber's official time-stamped video feed while that chamber was in session.

The government notes that it does not control or have access to records held by Senators or Members of Congress, or their offices or staff. The same is true for congressional committees, including notably the House of Representatives Select Committee to Investigate the January 6th Attack on the U.S. Capitol.

Finally, the government notes that it does not control or have access to records maintained or created by the U.S. Capitol Police Office of the Inspector General.

Respectfully submitted,

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