

U.S. Sen. Johnson, colleagues: Demand Durham Report be made public

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OSHKOSH — U.S. Sen. Ron Johnson (R-Wis.), along with Sen. Marsha Blackburn (R-Tenn.), and 42 of their Republican senate colleagues, sent a letter on Thursday to Attorney General Merrick Garland to request an update on the status of Special Counsel John Durham's inquiry into the Crossfire Hurricane Investigation and to ensure the investigation is seen to completion — and that it be made public when completed.

“The truth pursued by this investigation is necessary to ensure transparency in our intelligence agencies and restore faith in our civil liberties,” the senators wrote. “Thus, it is essential that the Special Counsel's ongoing review should be allowed to continue unimpeded and without undue limitations.”

The letter is also cosigned by U.S. Senators Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), Pat Toomey (R-Penn.), Rick Scott (R-Fla.), Bill Hagerty (R-Tenn.), Rand Paul (R-Ky.), Joni Ernst (R-Iowa), Mike Crapo (R-Idaho), Thom Tillis (R-N.C.), Deb Fischer (R-Neb.), Jerry Moran (R-Kan.), Dan Sullivan (R-Alaska), Tommy Tuberville (R-Ala.), Cynthia Lummis (R-Wyo.), Cindy Hyde-Smith (R-Miss.), James Risch (R-Idaho), Roy Blunt (R-Mo.), Ted Cruz (R-Texas), John Thune (R-S.D.), Tim Scott (R-S.C.), John Cornyn (R-Texas), Lindsey Graham (R-S.C.), Mike Lee (R-Utah), John Kennedy (R-La.), Shelley Moore Capito (R-W.Va.), Richard Shelby (R-Ala.), Richard Burr (R-N.C.), Chuck Grassley (R-Iowa), James Lankford (R-Okla.), James Inhofe (R-Okla.), John Barrasso (R-Wyo.), John Boozman (R-Ark.), Steve Daines (R-Mont.), Roger Wicker (R-Miss.), Marco Rubio (R-Fla.), Tom Cotton (R-Ark.), Kevin Cramer (R-N.D.), Mike Braun (R-Ind.), Roger

Marshall (R-Kan.), Mike Rounds (R-S.D.), Todd Young (R-Ind.), John Hoeven (R-N.D.), and Josh Hawley (R-Mo.).

The text of the letter can be found [here](#) and below.

August 19, 2021

The Honorable Merrick Garland

Attorney General

Department of Justice

950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW

Washington, DC 20530-0001

Dear Attorney General Garland:

We write to request an update on the status of Special Counsel John Durham's inquiry into the Crossfire Hurricane Investigation.

Two years ago, your predecessor appointed United States Attorney John Durham to conduct a review of the origins of the FBI's investigation into Russian collusion in the 2016 United States presidential election. Mr. Durham was later elevated to special counsel in October 2020 so he could continue his work with greater investigatory authority and independence.

The Special Counsel's ongoing work is important to many Americans who were disturbed that government agents subverted lawful process to conduct inappropriate surveillance for political purposes. The truth pursued by this investigation is necessary to ensure transparency in our intelligence agencies and restore faith in our civil liberties. Thus, it is essential that the Special Counsel's ongoing review should be allowed to continue unimpeded and without undue limitations.

To that end, we ask that you provide an update on the status of Special Counsel Durham's inquiry and that the investigation's report be made available to the public upon completion. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,