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**VIA EMAIL @ carlos vanegas@fd.org**

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Re: *United States v. Andrew Ryan Bennett*, 21-MJ-141

Dear Counsel:

This memorializes that the United States Attorney's Office for the District of Columbia provided you preliminary discovery comprising the following materials transmitted on the following date:

March 17, 2021 (via USAfx)

- One folder containing 822MB of data, comprising:
  - 18 zip files of photos and videos of content from iPhone 11 (serial number [REDACTED])
  - 13 .pdfs (FBI 302s and paperwork related to recovery of evidence from iPhone, arrest of Mr. Bennett, execution of search warrants, evidence collected from premises search, diagram of premises searched)
  - 49 .jpgs of photos from premises search

Due to the extraordinary nature of the January 6, 2021 Capitol Attack, the government anticipates that a large volume of materials may contain information relevant to this prosecution. These materials may include, but are not limited to, surveillance video, statements of similarly situated defendants, forensic searches of electronic devices and social media accounts of similarly situated defendants, and citizen tips. The government is working to develop a system that will facilitate access to these materials. In the meantime, please let me know if there are any categories of information that you believe are particularly relevant to your client.

The preliminary discovery provided is unencrypted. Please contact me if you have any issues accessing the information, and to confer regarding pretrial discovery as provided in Fed. R. Crim. P. 16.1.

Additional materials will be provided after the entry of a Protective Order in this case.

I recognize the government's discovery obligations under *Brady v. Maryland*, 373 U.S. 83 (1963), its progeny, and Rule 16. I will provide timely disclosure if any such material comes to light. Consistent with *Giglio, Ruiz*, and 18 U.S.C. § 3500, I will provide information about government witnesses prior to trial and in compliance with the court's trial management order.

I request reciprocal discovery to the fullest extent provided by Rule 16 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, including results or reports of any physical or mental examinations, or scientific tests or experiments, and any expert witness summaries. I also request that defendant(s) disclose prior statements of any witnesses defendant(s) intends to call to testify at any hearing or trial. *See* Fed. R. Crim. P. 26.2; *United States v. Nobles*, 422 U.S. 255 (1975). I request that such material be provided on the same basis upon which the government will provide defendant(s) with materials relating to government witnesses.

Additionally, pursuant to Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure 12.1, 12.2, and 12.3, I request that the defense provide the government with the appropriate written notice if the defense plans to use one of the defenses referenced in those rules. Please provide any notice within the period required by the Rules or allowed by the Court for the filing of any pretrial motions.

I will forward additional discovery as it becomes available. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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