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STATEMENT OF THE CHAIR AND RANKING REPUBLICAN MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF OFFICIAL CONDUCT REGARDING REPRESENTATIVE MAXINE WATERS

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Pursuant to Committee Rules 7(d) and 7(g), the Chair and Ranking Republican Member of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct (Standards Committee) on August 2, 2010, released the following statement:

On July 28, 2010, in accordance with clause 3 of House Rule XI and Rules 22 and 23 of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, the investigative subcommittee in the matter of Representative Maxine Waters transmitted a Statement of Alleged Violation and related motions and replies to the Chair and Ranking Republican Member of the Committee.

Pursuant to Committee Rule 23(a), the Chair has designated members of the Standards Committee to serve on an adjudicatory subcommittee to determine whether any counts in the Statement of Alleged Violation have been proved by clear and convincing evidence and to make findings of fact.

Chair Zoe Lofgren will act as Chair of the adjudicatory subcommittee and Ranking Republican Member Jo Bonner will act as the Ranking Member of the adjudicatory subcommittee. Representatives Ben Chandler, G.K. Butterfield, Peter Welch, Charles Dent, Gregg Harper, and Michael McCaul will also serve on the adjudicatory subcommittee. Under Committee Rule 23(a) and House Rule XI, clause 3(m)(1)(B), members who served on the Waters investigative subcommittee may not serve on the adjudicatory subcommittee. Under the rules, an equal number of Democrats and Republicans serve on adjudicatory subcommittees.

The adjudicatory subcommittee will hold an organizational meeting at a time and location that has yet to be determined.

House Rule XI, clause 3(b)(8)(B), and Standards Committee Rule 17A require the Chair of the Standards Committee to make public the written report and findings of the Board of the Office of Congressional Ethics (OCE) at the end of the investigative subcommittee process. Pursuant to House Rule XI, clause 3(b)(8)(B), the Chair is making public OCE's written report and findings in this matter.