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STATEMENT OF THE CHAIRMAN AND RANKING MEMBER OF THE COMMITTEE ON ETHICS REGARDING REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS COLLINS

Pursuant to Committee Rule 7(g), the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Committee on Ethics (Committee) determined to release the following statement:

In accordance with House Rule XI, clause 3, and Committee Rules 10(a)(2) and 18(e)(2), the Committee unanimously voted to re-authorize an investigative subcommittee (ISC) for the 116th Congress to review allegations involving Representative Chris Collins.

The Honorable Theodore E. Deutch will serve as the Chairman of the ISC, and the Honorable Jackie Walorski will serve as the Ranking Member. The other two members of the ISC are the Honorable William R. Keating and the Honorable Ben Cline.

The Department of Justice has requested that the Committee continue to defer consideration of the allegations involving Representative Collins that are currently pending prosecution in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. The Committee, following precedent, unanimously recommended to the ISC that it defer action on those allegations. No other public comment will be made on this matter except in accordance with Committee rules.

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