

Office of the Sergeant at Arms  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-6634

February 5, 2021

The Hon. Theodore E. Deutch  
Chairman  
Committee on Ethics  
1015 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Rep. Deutch:

I write to notify you of a violation of House Resolution 73, on February 4, 2021, by Rep. Louie Gohmert. The Member has a \$5,000 fine. Rep. Gohmert has been notified of the fine and of his appeal rights.

I have included the enclosure from the U.S. Capitol Police describing the failure to complete security screening.

Please contact me at 225-2456 if you should have any questions.

Sincerely,



Timothy P. Blodgett  
Acting Sergeant at Arms

cc: The Speaker  
The Honorable Catherine Szpindor, CAO

Attachment: Notification to Rep. Louie Gohmert



**UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510-7218

February 4, 2021

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Inspector [REDACTED] Capitol Division Commander  
**THRU:** Captain [REDACTED] Capitol Division  
**THRU:** Lieutenant [REDACTED], Acting Commander House Chamber Section  
**FROM:** Sergeant [REDACTED], House Chamber Section

**SUBJECT:** Unusual Occurrence – Member refused to submit for administrative screening.

On 02/04/21, at approximately 1640, at the West Lobby entrance to the Speaker's Lobby of House Chamber, Congressman Louis Gohmert entered the House Chamber without being screened by the officer. Representative Gohmert deliberately avoided being screened by refusing to submit to screening at the West lobby screening point. Officer [REDACTED] attempted to explain the requirement for the Members of Congress to be screened (see attached CP-60) Congressman Gohmert continued past the officer and into the House Chamber.

[REDACTED]  
Sergeant  
House Chamber Section

