

UNITED STATES SENATE

June 11, 2024

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer Majority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell Minority Leader United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader Schumer and Minority Leader McConnell:

I write to request your immediate assistance with organizing a classified briefing for all Senators regarding intelligence reports detailing a threat against the homeland by the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS) at the southern border. It is my understanding that a binder of materials concerning this threat has been transmitted to Senate Security.

While members of the Intelligence Community have offered piecemeal briefings to Congress, I believe that the threat is urgent and that a briefing should be held with all members before the Senate's scheduled departure from Washington, D.C. at the end of next week. This urgency is further underscored by today's report that six Russian nationals with suspected ties to ISIS were arrested as part of sting operations in New York, Los Angeles, and Philadelphia.¹

Thank you for your consideration and attention to this matter of vital national security importance.

In my view, this is a matter of great urgency.

Sincerely,

Lindsey O. Graham United States Senator

¹ New York Post, *Six suspected terrorists with ISIS ties arrested in sting operation in New York, Los Angeles and Philadelphia: sources* (June 11, 2024), https://nypost.com/2024/06/11/us-news/six-suspected-terrorists-with-isis-ties-arrested-in-sting-operation/