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Good morning,

Can we get EA and COS official sign off on the attached so my team can sign and send back to EA/LA for transit? NRMCM is standing by to sign the Rep. Roby. Thanks.

For DIR signature

- Sen Paul
- Sen Hawley
- Sen Peters

For A/D Kolasky signature

- Rep Roby (constituent letter)

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March 21, 2020

The Honorable Christopher Krebs  
Director  
Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency  
Department of Homeland Security  
300 7th Street S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Director Krebs,

I am writing about the important role that the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (“CISA”) plays in keeping our nation safe and our critical services functioning as we battle the spread of COVID-19. As this crisis develops, officials throughout our federal, state, and local governments look to you for expertise on how best to ensure public safety and the integrity of our economy.

This week, CISA issued a guidance document setting out the industrial and job categories that, in CISA’s judgment, are necessary to ensure the continued availability of essential services.<sup>1</sup> As the memorandum notes, it is not binding on state or local officials, many of whom have issued or are considering issuing orders for their populaces to stay home or cease all nonessential travel in the interest of public safety. Nonetheless, these state and local officials look to CISA for expertise and guidance, as was clear when Governor Gavin Newsom specifically incorporated CISA’s guidance into his stay-home executive order.<sup>2</sup> I am concerned that CISA’s guidance on critical industries and occupations may need to be revised in order to adapt to the changing needs of our pandemic response.

Public safety must be our government’s first priority. Yet the interests of public safety change depending on the length and nature of this crisis. Some experts have indicated that extended quarantining and restrictive measures lasting many weeks or months may be necessary to slow the spread of COVID-19.<sup>3</sup> Under those circumstances, I am concerned that our country will need critical sectors and workers beyond the categories that CISA has

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<sup>1</sup> Guidance on the Essential Critical Infrastructure Workforce (March 19, 2020), available at <https://www.cisa.gov/publication/guidance-essential-critical-infrastructure-workforce>.

<sup>2</sup> See Executive Order N-33-20, Office of the Governor of California (March 19, 2020), available at <https://covid19.ca.gov/img/Executive-Order-N-33-20.pdf>.

<sup>3</sup> See Amelia Nierenberg, *How Long Will the Coronavirus Outbreak and Shutdown Last?*, NY Times (March 16, 2020), available at <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/16/health/coronavirus-shut-down.html>.

currently identified to operate. While government, law enforcement, medical, food, and utility services must be available always, many other industries also become vital to the continued safety of the public over a prolonged period of restriction. For example, the makers of critical industrial supplies and inputs must be available to ensure continued manufacturing operations of needed goods. Moreover, businesses and workers must be able to replenish shortages of consumer goods that will become exhausted over a longer period of restriction.

Likewise, the economic impact of this crisis depends greatly on the extent of time it lasts. Potentially millions of Americans face sudden unemployment,<sup>4</sup> and many businesses are struggling to maintain the safety and security of their employees and the viability of their enterprises. If this crisis persists for a prolonged period, a minimum level of economic activity will also be necessary to combat the spread of COVID-19, to preserve the economic well-being of citizens, and to recover when this pandemic is overcome.

Going forward, I ask that you frequently re-examine and update CISA's guidance on essential critical infrastructure workforce in order to respond to the evolving problems posed by COVID-19's spread and effects. Many American lives will depend on the accuracy of that guidance, and our state and local governments will continue to rely on your expertise.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Josh Hawley". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

Josh Hawley  
United States Senator

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<sup>4</sup> Steve Goldstein, *U.S. jobless claims may reach 2.25 million, Goldman Sachs economist estimates*, MarketWatch (March 20, 2020), available at <https://www.marketwatch.com/story/jobless-claims-may-reach-225-million-goldman-sachs-economist-estimates-2020-03-20>.

# United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

March 24, 2020

The Honorable Christopher C. Krebs  
Director  
Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
300 7<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Director Krebs:

I write today to call your attention to the attached letter from the National Shooting Sports Foundation, and to urge you to consider their recommendations.

The U.S. Constitution guarantees an individual right to keep and bear arms. The protections afforded by the Second Amendment are indispensable, and they have served our nation well through tranquil times as well as turbulent ones. Our current circumstances are no different.

Again, in the interest of preserving the rights and privileges of all Americans, I strongly encourage you to review the recommendations attached hereto and take all appropriate action to implement them.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Rand Paul". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Rand Paul, M.D.  
United States Senator



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March 20, 2020

The Honorable Christopher Krebs  
Director of Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency  
Department of Homeland Security  
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Washington, D.C. 20528

Dear Director Krebs:

The National Shooting Sports Foundation (NSSF) is America's trade association for the firearm, ammunition, hunting and recreational shooting sports industry. Our over 9,000 member companies include federally licensed manufacturers, distributors and retailers of firearms and ammunition products. On behalf of our members nationwide, I am writing to thank you for your leadership and the ongoing efforts of your agency to combat the COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic.

**I am also respectfully requesting that your agency designate the firearm and ammunition industry as a "National Critical Infrastructure Industry" and the employees who work in our industry should be clearly identified and listed as "Essential Critical Infrastructure Workers."**

The firearm and ammunition industry is proud to provide the U.S. military and federal, state and local law enforcement agencies with the tools they need to carry out their vital national security and public safety missions. While we are facing a different kind of war in combatting an unprecedented public health crisis, it is imperative that we maintain a strong national defense and maintain public order.

As you are aware, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) oversees the country's National Infrastructure Protection Plan (the "Plan")<sup>1</sup>. This Plan outlines how government and private sector participants in the critical infrastructure community work together to manage risks and achieve security and resilience outcomes. The Plan identifies 16 different critical infrastructure sectors, including Defense Industrial Base (DIB)<sup>2</sup> and Emergency Services Sector (ESS)<sup>3</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup> National Infrastructure Protection Plan, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Retrieved March 19, 2020 from <https://www.cisa.gov/national-infrastructure-protection-plan>

<sup>2</sup> National Infrastructure Protection Plan, 2010 Defense Industrial Base Sector-Specific Plan, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. Retrieved March 19, 2020 from <https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/nipp-ssp-defense-industrial-base-2010-508.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> Emergency Services Sector-Specific Plan, An Annex to the National Infrastructure Protection Plan, 2015. Retrieved March 19, 2020 from <https://www.cisa.gov/sites/default/files/publications/nipp-ssp-emergency-services-2015-508.pdf>

