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(A) Secretary Chad F. Wolf  
U.S. Department of Homeland Security  
Washington, DC 20528

Dear (A) Secretary Wolf:

The Homeland Security Advisory Council (“Council”) was established to provide you and senior leadership at the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) with advice and recommendations on matters relating to homeland security.

On December 17, 2019, the Council met in a public teleconference meeting to discuss matters relating to tasks given to the nonpartisan Prevention of Targeted Violence Against Faith-Based Communities subcommittee.

The enclosed Final Report, was voted on and approved by the Council. Leading up to this meeting and development of the recommendations for the Council’s review and approval, the subcommittee held numerous conference calls, conducted 7 site visits to houses of worship across the nation, held 3 in-person meetings, reviewed a prodigious amount of written material, and was briefed by more than 100 subject matter experts, to include state and local law enforcement and faith leaders from across the country. The Final Report is attached for your action.

On behalf of the Council, we appreciate the opportunity to provide you with these recommendations. It has been an honor to serve you, the members of this Department, and the American people in this advisory role.

I thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,

**William H. Webster**

Chair, Homeland Security Advisory Council