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August 27, 2014

The Honorable Richard J. Griffin
Acting Inspector General
United States Department of Veterans Affairs
Office of Inspector General (50)
810 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20420

Dear Inspector General Griffin,

Yesterday, representatives from your office briefed Congressional staffers on your final report regarding the allegations of scheduling manipulation and patient deaths at the Phoenix Health Care System. Reference was made to ongoing criminal investigations at 93 different VHA facilities across the country, including Phoenix.

For purposes of our continuing oversight investigation, please indicate how many of the criminal investigations have been referred to a United States Attorney's Office or to any other component of the Department of Justice for prosecution. Please also indicate how many of the cases were declined for prosecution. For every declination, please provide the declination letter. If there was no formal letter, please provide the names of the DOJ officials for each location that communicated the declination along with the rationales provided.

This information provided should be current to the date of this request and should be provided to me no later than September 4, 2014. If you have any questions please contact Mr. Eric Hannel, Staff Director, or Mr. Harold Rees, Senior Investigative Counsel, of the Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, at (202) 225-3569.

Sincerely,



MIKE COFFMAN

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