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WASHINGTON, D.C.

SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY

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The Honorable Ron Wyden
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Wyden:

Asking a nominee to answer questions that are not within the scope of his duties calls into question your integrity and serves as an example of your lack of good faith in this process. You should be ashamed, if you have any shame.

As a longtime member of the Senate Finance Committee, you know very well that the United States Treasury relies on hundreds of career economic experts, market analysts, and other professionals experienced in the evaluation of global market conditions to provide sound advisory to myself and other decision makers.

Last week's manufactured political theater only serves to spread misinformation, and – although I am not holding my breath – it is my hope that you will take your job more seriously going forward and allow me the time to read correspondence before leaking it. The people of Oregon, and indeed all Americans, deserve better.

Sincerely,



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