

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

December 21, 2021

The Honorable Alejandro Mayorkas
Secretary
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Secretary Mayorkas,

Through Section 2503 of Public Law 117-43, the *Extending Government Funding and Delivering Emergency Assistance Act*, Congress required the Secretary of Homeland Security, in coordination with the head of any other applicable Federal agency, to provide a report on the composition and vetting of the more than 78,000 Afghan evacuees by November 30, 2021. Congress mandated this report include the immigration status of Afghan evacuees located here in the United States and at overseas bases of U.S. Armed Forces, including any evacuees “flagged as potential security risks or concerns.” This information is necessary for Congress to perform its constitutional oversight duties, which include an understanding of the composition of the Afghan evacuee population located in the United States and any potential national security concerns.

As of the date of this letter, you have failed to meet the statutorily mandated deadline. That is unacceptable.

As Vice Chairman and Ranking Members of the Committees with jurisdiction regarding oversight and funding of Operation Allies Welcome, we request you immediately comply with the statutory deadline and provide the above referenced report.

Sincerely,



Charles Grassley
United State Senator



Richard Shelby
United State Senator



James M. Inhofe
United State Senator



James E. Risch
United State Senator



Rob Portman
United State Senator



Shelley Moore Capito
United State Senator