

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, DC 20515

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The Honorable Douglas O'Donnell
Acting Commissioner
Internal Revenue Service
1111 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20224

Dear Acting Commissioner O'Donnell and all Internal Revenue Service Employees,


The Committee on Ways and Means takes its oversight responsibilities seriously. One of the Committee's top priorities in the 118th Congress is to promote transparency and accountability by conducting rigorous oversight of government agencies to uncover instances of waste, fraud, and abuse within the executive branch.

Employees of the executive branch are undoubtedly the individuals who possess the most knowledge about any misconduct occurring within their respective agencies. That is why I write to notify you and every employee of the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) of the establishment of an IRS whistleblower portal that is now active and available on the Committee on Ways and Means' website at waysandmeans.house.gov/IRSwhistleblower. This portal provides an avenue through which agency employees can easily communicate and share information directly and confidentially with the Committee.

We welcome and encourage IRS employees to use this portal to share any information they believe should be brought to the attention of the Committee as it conducts its oversight responsibilities. Such information can include concerns, information, or documents related to misconduct, maladministration, abuse, mistreatment of taxpayers, wrongdoing, or any other agency matter an employee believes deserves the Committee's attention.

We request that a copy of this letter be shared with all IRS employees to ensure they are notified that this portal exists, and it is available for them to use. We ask that agency leadership confirm that this letter has been shared with all agency employees by February 8, 2023.

Sincerely,



Jason Smith
Chairman
Committee on Ways and Means