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The Honorable Trey Gowdy
Chairman
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Gowdy:

I am writing in response to your September 26, 2017, letter regarding the use of government-owned or private non-commercial aircraft by non-career officials. Since January 20, 2017, the Department's non-career employees have not used government aircraft for personal travel or private non-commercial aircraft for official travel.

The following table outlines the usage of government-owned aircraft by non-career officials for official travel at the Department of Labor since January 20, 2017.

Date	Destination	Traveler(s)	Mode	Purpose
May 19, 2017	Andernach, Germany	Secretary Acosta	German Gov't Helicopter	Site visit during the G20 Labor and Employment Ministerial ¹
June 13, 2017	Pewaukee, WI	Secretary Acosta	Air Force One	Policy Travel with the President ²
June 16, 2017	Miami, FL (one way)	Secretary Acosta; Pedro Allende, Counsel to the Secretary	Air Force One	Policy Travel with the President ³
August 11, 2017	Morristown, NJ	Secretary Acosta; Nicholas Geale, Acting Solicitor	Executive Airlift Support Mission	Meeting with the President ⁴
August 31, 2017	Corpus Christi, TX	Secretary Acosta; Molly Conway, Deputy COS	Air Force Two	Hurricane Site Visit with the Vice President ⁵
August 31, 2017	Corpus Christi, TX	Secretary Acosta	USMC Helicopter	Hurricane Site Visit with the Vice President ⁶
September 9 - 10, 2017	Camp David, MD	Secretary Acosta	USMC Helicopter	Cabinet Meeting ⁷

¹ The Department did not incur costs for transportation.

² The Department provided financial support for the costs associated with the visit in the amount of \$20,000.

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⁴ The Department did not incur costs for transportation.

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⁶ The Department did not incur costs for transportation.

⁷ The Department did not incur costs for transportation.

With regard to questions two and three, the Department has not identified any usage of private, non-commercial aircraft by non-career officials since January 20, 2017, nor does the Department have any agency-specific policies regarding the use of government-owned or private non-commercial aircraft for official travel; DOL's travel policies align with the Office of Management and Budget Circular A-126 (May 22, 1992), *Improving the Management and Use of Government Aircraft*⁸, and the Federal Travel Regulations.⁹

If you or members of your staff have any questions about this response, please contact the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs at (202) 693-4600.

Sincerely,



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Identical Letter Sent to Ranking Member Elijah E. Cummings

⁸ https://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars_a126

⁹ <https://www.gsa.gov/node/84929?asset=90776>