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House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-1403

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Secretary Betsy DeVos
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.
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Dear Secretary DeVos,

Thank you for your July 17, 2018 response to our letter regarding the national security concerns present at universities partnering with Huawei Technologies (HT or Huawei). We are pleased to see that the Department of Education recognizes the importance of protecting United States technology and intellectual property from foreign adversaries.

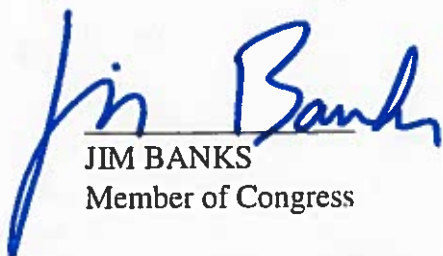
Your response included a commitment from the Department to follow up on this matter with "executive branch partners in their respective missions to protect our national security." In addition to providing a list of institutions receiving more than \$250,000 in Title IV funding in partnership with Huawei, you indicated that the Department had scheduled a briefing on this matter. The information provided was useful and we are pleased to see the Department taking some of the steps necessary to understand the scope of this problem.

Our original letter asked for additional information that we hope you will provide in a follow-up response. Specifically, we request that the Department:


- Specify whether the briefing referred to in your original response has taken place and whether that briefing was/will be a complete and classified one provided by the FBI and/or DNI;
- Provide a full list of institutions involved in any partnership with Huawei, including those receiving less than \$250,000 in Title IV funding per calendar year;
- Provide information regarding any research personnel (including Chinese nationals involved in "Talents" program) at these institutions who are involved in research activities connected to Huawei; and,
- Specify whether the Department plans to convene a senior-level working group to understand China's efforts to gather United States technology and intellectual property on American college campuses and develop recommendations to protect the U.S. technological advantage.

Thank you for your continued attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,




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