

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Dear Director Peters:

On behalf of the Members of the Congressional Progressive Caucus Taskforce on Policing, Constitution, and Equality (CPC-PCE), we would like to congratulate you on being appointed the 12th Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons (BOP) and first woman to hold this position. With your extensive background in victim advocacy, public affairs and services, and your years of dedication to supplying rehabilitation and treatment to youth with convictions in the state of Oregon, we have no doubt that you will bring great initiatives to the BOP and execute your position sufficiently.

As Members of the Congressional Progressive Caucus Task Force on Policing, Constitution, and Equality, we would like to extend an invitation to meet and discuss several issues of importance regarding the BOP. In particular, we would like to hear more about your plans to:

- Lead the Bureau, specifically addressing the issues the Bureau has faced including infrastructure maintenance, labor management, and medical care for people with convictions, among other concerns.
- Continue implementation of the First Step Act (FSA). Since its enactment in 2018, we have seen minimal movement by the BOP to fully implement the legislation as written. Following the September 8th release of the time allotment rules that was in progress before your official appointment, we would appreciate the opportunity to discuss the rule and how we can ensure that it lives up to the spirit of the FSA.

In addition, we request a status update of people who were released under home confinement through the CARES Act. We strongly feel these individuals should be allowed to complete their sentences at home as the program has been hugely successful and has allowed these individuals to reenter society.

We respectfully request that this meeting be scheduled within the next 30 days. Thank you for your consideration of our request and once again congratulate you on your appointment as Director of the BOP.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress



PRAMILA JAYAPAL
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