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Distinguished Members,

**DHS Secretary Mayorkas and TSA/FAMS are Classifying Innocent Americans as Domestic Terrorists**

We have recently become aware that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) and the Federal Air Marshal Service (FAMS) are improperly classifying innocent Americans as “Domestic Terrorists” on internal TSA/FAMS databases and watchlists. Most of these classifications occur in the absence of any investigation or even any follow up.

██████████ is a Federal Air Marshal with over 27 years of law enforcement experience currently assigned to the ██████████ field office. On January 4, 2021 ██████████ ██████████ traveled to Washington D.C. to attend a Trump rally at the Ellipse park



near the White House. Following a speech on January 6, 2021 [REDACTED] returned to [REDACTED] hotel. It's important to note [REDACTED] never set foot near the Capitol grounds. In fact, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] suffers from a disability that makes it difficult for her to walk long distances.

On July 13, 2021, [REDACTED] booked airline tickets to travel to see family. Upon her booking airline tickets [REDACTED] who worked in the [REDACTED] section of the [REDACTED] FAM office noticed that the TSA/FAMS had classified his wife as a "Domestic Terrorist" and as such assigned teams of air marshals to her flights to conduct in-depth surveillance of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] companions, which in this case were their children. FAM [REDACTED] immediately notified his chain of command about the mistake, their response was to "let it work itself out". [REDACTED] flew and the air marshal teams assigned to surveil her and their children made note on their conversations, noting their behaviors, documenting her electronic devices, and following her and their children even after they left the aircraft.

Most recently in December 2022 [REDACTED] was still labeled a "Domestic Terrorist" as she and FAM [REDACTED] flew to visit family over the holidays. FAM [REDACTED] per policy had to identify himself to the teams of air marshals assigned to he and his wife's flight as he was carrying his agency issued firearm on the flight. You can imagine the scene when a team of air marshals are assigned to surveil a person labeled a terrorist and the co-traveler of that person approaches the team and identifies himself as a federal agent carrying a gun. Under current TSA policy that team would have a duty to immediately report [REDACTED] as an insider threat. Moreover, the FAM team that was assigned to follow [REDACTED] said they were originally scheduled for a high-risk international mission, but the agency broke that trip down so they could be assigned to [REDACTED] flight. Thus, the international flight went uncovered.

Over two years after January 6, 2021 [REDACTED] has never been questioned or even approached by any law enforcement agencies about being in D.C. on January 6<sup>th</sup> or about being a domestic terrorist. FAM [REDACTED] has made several pleas with his management to stop this obvious mistake. Still today [REDACTED] is classified as a domestic terrorist and whenever she travels TSA/FAMS assigns teams of air marshals to surveil her every move. What makes this situation even more unbelievable is that the very agency that classifies [REDACTED] as a terrorist allows her husband to hold a top-secret security clearance and carry weapons on aircraft. Yet to date not one agency supervisor has ever questioned [REDACTED]. These facts suggest the label is false and the FAMS has reason to know it is improperly classifying Americans as terrorists.