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Acting Director Tae Johnson
U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement
500 12th Street, SW,
Washington, D.C. 20536

Dear Acting Director Johnson,

I am writing to follow up on my March 31, 2021, letter regarding the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) sole-source contract awarded to the non-profit division of Family Endeavors, Inc. (Endeavors). Unfortunately, upon receiving a response from Jason Houser, Acting Director of Congressional Relations, on June 1, 2021, many of my questions regarding the nature of the contract remain unanswered.

As you know, on March 16, 2021, the contract awarded to Endeavors was intended to provide family residential processing space for migrants. More specifically, the \$86.9 million contract was for "EMERGENCY AND OTHER RELIEF SERVICES," identified by Solicitation Number 70CDCR21C00000001.¹

In order to better understand the nature of this contract, in my official capacity as a Member of the Committee on Homeland Security, I request that you provide documentation of the rationale or requirements ICE used for consideration in making the initial award, as well as subsequent awards, 0 through P00008 as noted in the following table.²

Awards	Date	Amount
0	March 16, 2021	\$86,947,271
P00001	August 17, 2021	\$378,820
P00002	August 20, 2021	\$0.00
P00003	September 17, 2021	\$4,437,557

¹ USA Spending Contract https://www.usaspending.gov/award/CONT_AWD_70CDCR21C00000001_7012_-NONE-_-NONE-

²FPDS Portal

<https://www.fpds.gov/ezsearch/fpdsportal?q=%22Family+endeavors%22+PIID%3A%2270CDCR21C00000001%22+PIID%3A%2270CDCR21C00000001%22&s=FPDS.GOV&templateName=1.5.2&indexName=awardfull&x=18&y=18>

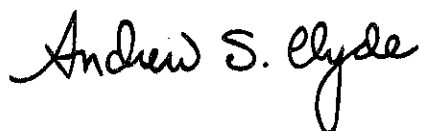
P00004	October 26, 2021	\$38,166,421
P00005	November 10, 2021	\$0.00
P00006	December 28, 2021	\$1,701,458
P00007	January 21, 2022	\$47, 638.38
P00008	April 28, 2022	\$192, 022

In addition, I also request copies of the following documentation:

1. Documentation of the date and to what extent (size of need) the government first identified the need to expand detention capacity to address shortages of bed space for family units in Texas.
2. Documentation, whether emails or other, of how ICE initially identified Family Endeavors Inc. as a potential vendor.
3. If applicable, documentation, whether emails or other, showing that DHS or ICE received an unsolicited proposal from Family Endeavors, Inc.
4. To what extent DHS or ICE identified any other potential vendors, whether they were contacted, their names and dates of contact, and the content of all correspondence.
5. Documentation, whether emails or other, of which ICE officials contacted Family Endeavors, Inc. regarding the need for services, the dates of these contacts, and the content.
6. Documentation of Family Endeavors, Inc. receipts, reimbursement forms, or other evidence of the funds being expended.
7. The criteria, if any, that DHS or ICE used to determine that Family Endeavors, Inc. was the only source that could provide these services.
8. Documentation of all ICE correspondence with Family Endeavors, Inc. for these services.
9. Documentation, whether emails or other, of all Andrew Lorenzen-Strait's correspondence with any DHS or ICE officials regarding the \$86 million contract, from 2020 through 2021.

I look forward to your response and receiving the requested documentation. Please provide the response to my request no later than June 13, 2022. If you have questions regarding this request, please feel free to email my staff at Nicholas.Brown@mail.house.gov or call at 202-225-9893.

Thank you,



Andrew S. Clyde
Member of Congress