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Dear Mr. Evers,

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (“FOIA”) request No. SBA-2020-001020 in which you requested the following:

All records reflecting any analysis or analyses—including, but not limited to, legal/ethics opinions, memoranda, file memoranda, emails, or other informal communications—regarding the eligibility of any component of the Trump Organization or Kushner Companies (or any other business entities associated with President Trump or his family members) for loans to alleviate the economic impact of the novel coronavirus—including, but not limited to, loans under the Paycheck Protection Program and the Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program. American Oversight believes a search for responsive records should include, at a minimum, all individuals within the front office of the Administrator, the office of the General Counsel, and the office of anyone serving as White House Liaison.

Please provide all responsive records from March 25, 2020, through the date of the search.

SBA has performed a search of its records and no documents exist that are responsive to your request.

If you are dissatisfied with the Agency’s decision, you may file an administration appeal within 90 days of the date of this letter to:

Office of Hearings and Appeals  
Attention: Oreoluwa Fashola, FOIA Office  
409 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, SW – 8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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Sincerely,

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