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VIA EMAIL The Honorable Susan Clarke Schaar, Clerk Senate of Virginia P.O. Box 396 Richmond, Virginia 23218

The Honorable Suzette Denslow, Clerk House of Delegates of Virginia P.O. Box 406 Richmond, Virginia 23218

## Re: Virginia Code § 19.2-70

Dear Ms. Schaar and Ms. Denslow:

This letter is sent pursuant to Virginia Code § 19.2-70, regarding notification of intercept activity during 2020. There were no applications sought for wire, wireless, or oral intercepts during calendar year 2020.

Our letter of December 20, 2019 reported that four persons stood charged as a result of an investigation that included intercept activity in late 2018. During 2020, the prosecutions of these individuals were concluded. One defendant pled guilty and was convicted and sentenced for conspiracy to commit capital murder (murder for hire), solicitation to commit capital murder, attempted capital murder, and felony obstruction of justice. Another defendant pled no contest and was convicted and sentenced for conspiracy to commit capital murder, and felony obstruction of justice. A third defendant died during 2020. The fourth defendant pled guilty and was sentenced for misdemeanor obstruction of justice.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

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