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Dear Captain Barbabella:

It has apparently taken 22 medical specialists to pronounce President Donald Trump in “excellent health.”¹ While I am glad that the President has garnered a positive report and enjoys access to such a massive and robust medical care team, I am deeply concerned about why such a large team is now necessary. The White House has so far refused to say who all those doctors were, what are the specialties they practice in, and most importantly, why a routine physical for a man supposedly in “excellent health” required a medical team nearly the size of a major league baseball team roster.

Two months ago, I wrote to you requesting a comprehensive cognitive and neurological assessment of the President no later than April 24, 2026.² That deadline came and went with no meaningful response; the only vicarious answer appears to have been a schoolyard insult from a White House spokesman.³ And the questions have only multiplied since then. On May 26, 2026, the President spent roughly three hours at Walter Reed National Military Medical Center in his third visit to the hospital in 13 months.⁴ No president in recent history has been to the hospital nearly so frequently.⁵ The White House billed it as a “routine annual” evaluation, although that

¹ Dan Diamond & Isaac Arnsdorf, *Trump Sees 22 Medical Specialists, Appearing to Set New Bar for Presidents*, WASH. POST (June 10, 2026), <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2026/06/10/trump-sees-22-medical-specialists-white-house-hasnt-said-why/>.

² Letter from The Honorable Jamie Raskin, Ranking Member, H. Comm. on the Judiciary, to Captain Sean P. Barbabella, Physician to the President (Apr. 10, 2026), <https://democrats-judiciary.house.gov/sites/evo-subsites/democrats-judiciary.house.gov/files/evo-media-document/2026-04-10-raskin-to-barbabella-wh-re-25th-amendment.pdf>.

³ Andrew Solender, *Raskin Demands Trump Cognitive Test in 25th Amendment Push*, AXIOS (Apr. 10, 2026), <https://www.axios.com/2026/04/10/raskin-demands-trump-cognitive-test-in-25th-amendment-push>.

⁴ Luke Garrett, *Trump to Get ‘Routine Annual’ Medical Exam 7 Months After Last Visit to Walter Reed*, NPR (May 25, 2026), <https://www.npr.org/2026/05/25/nx-s1-5833855/trump-medical-checkup>; Khaleda Rahman & Gabe Whisnant, *Trump at Walter Reed: Reports Show How President’s Health Has Changed*, NEWSWEEK (May 26, 2026), <https://www.newsweek.com/trump-medical-reports-show-how-presidents-health-changed-11992391>.

⁵ Adam Cancryn, *White House Breaks from Precedent by Not Releasing Trump’s Medical Report*, CNN (May 29, 2026), <https://www.cnn.com/2026/05/29/politics/trump-physical-exam-results>.

designation would make it his second such “routine annual” evaluation in a single year.⁶ Three days later, on a Friday night, you released a three-page memo baldly declaring that the President “remains in excellent health” and mentioning only in passing that it took consultations with 22 different medical specialists to arrive at that simple conclusion.⁷

Your memo does not explain why it took 22 specialists to declare the President in “excellent health.” As Dr. Jonathan Reiner, the longtime cardiologist to former Vice President Dick Cheney, put it: “It is an extraordinary number ... What specialties do they represent? Why so many?”⁸ When pressed by the *Washington Post*, the White House conceded that some of the 22 “specialists” were in fact generalist physicians but still refused to identify their fields or the reasons for their consultations, offering only the assurance that the team’s size reflects “best practices for executive-level medical care.”⁹ Left unexplained is why this is double the number of doctors President Trump saw during his first term (11) and much higher than the number he saw last year (14).¹⁰

Your memo leaves a number of other startling facts unexplained. For instance, it describes a coronary CT scan performed roughly six months after the President’s October scan; as Dr. Reiner observed, “[w]e don’t typically scan patients 6 months later unless we are concerned about a finding... ”¹¹ President Trump has already changed his story once about his own imaging, mistakenly claiming he had an MRI in October before recharacterizing it as a CT scan months later.¹² He has also admitted he takes 325 milligrams of aspirin daily—four times the standard dose and, on his own telling, more than his doctors recommend—while displaying persistent hand bruising covered in makeup and recurrent leg swelling.¹³ That does not sound like a patient in “excellent health.”

As the oldest person ever elected to the White House, President Trump turned 80 just this past Sunday. In light of these troubling medical reports, so many unexplained signs of illness, and the existence of nearly two dozen different doctors on the case, the American people deserve honest and serious answers about whether he is up to the task.

⁶ Luke Garrett, *Trump to Get ‘Routine Annual’ Medical Exam 7 Months After Last Visit to Walter Reed*, NPR (May 25, 2026), <https://www.npr.org/2026/05/25/nx-s1-5833855/trump-medical-checkup>.

⁷ Elliott Davis, *White House Memo Says Donald Trump ‘Remains in Excellent Health’ After Physical*, THE HILL (May 30, 2026), <https://thehill.com/homenews/administration/5902211-trump-physical-report-released/>; *Memorandum from the White House Physician*, THE WHITE HOUSE (May 29, 2026), <https://www.whitehouse.gov/briefings-statements/2026/05/memorandum-from-the-white-house-physician-9440/>.

⁸ Dan Diamond & Isaac Arnsdorf, *Trump Sees 22 Medical Specialists, Appearing to Set New Bar for Presidents*, WASH. POST (June 10, 2026), <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2026/06/10/trump-sees-22-medical-specialists-white-house-hasnt-said-why/>.

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ *Id.*

¹¹ Jonathan Reiner (@JReinerMD), X (May 30, 2026), <https://x.com/JReinerMD/status/2060742907666047260>.

¹² Kathryn Watson, *Trump Says He Underwent CT Scan, Not MRI, During October Examination*, CBS NEWS (Jan. 1, 2026), <https://www.cbsnews.com/news/trump-ct-scan-not-mri-october-examination/>.

¹³ Jonathan Allen, *Trump Says He Takes More Aspirin Than Recommended by His Doctors*, NBC NEWS (Jan. 1, 2026), <https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/donald-trump/trump-says-takes-aspirin-recommended-doctors-rca251804>.

Accordingly, no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 2, 2026, I insist that you:

1. Identify each of the 22 medical providers who participated in the President's May 26, 2026, examination by medical specialty, and state the clinical indication for each consultation;
2. Publicly release the complete results of the May 26, 2026, examination, including all specialist consultation reports, laboratory results, and imaging studies, together with an explanation of the medical basis for repeating the President's coronary CT scan approximately six months after his October 2025 scan;
3. Provide a complete list of all medications the President is currently taking, including dosages, and state whether the President is taking aspirin or any other medication in excess of, or contrary to, your medical advice; and
4. Comply with my April 10, 2026, request by conducting and publicly releasing a comprehensive neuropsychological assessment of the President and making yourself available for a briefing, under oath, with Members of the Committee.

I look forward to your prompt compliance with this important and urgent oversight request.

Very truly yours,



Jamie Raskin
Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable Jim Jordan, Chairman