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Acting Commissioner Daniel Werfel
Internal Revenue Service
US Department of the Treasury
1111 Constitution Avenue, NW
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Dear Commissioner Werfel:

Given the recent interest in the Internal Revenue Service's (IRS) spending on employee training conferences and targeting of certain non-profit organizations there is a desire in Congress to better understand how the IRS functions. This includes the IRS's employee compensation policies.

The use of bonus pay for federal employees varies widely across the administration, but there is little data to support which approach to bonus payments is the most cost-effective. Congress has a key role to play in overseeing and evaluating the use of employee bonuses within the Executive Branch to guard against waste and abuse. This role includes oversight of any bonus compensation at IRS. Unfortunately, the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) could not provide us with the necessary information on current practices at IRS.

Therefore, I am writing to request a record of any annual bonuses above \$10,000 paid to IRS employees since 2007. Please provide the name and title of any employee who has received such a bonus, the exact amount of each bonus, any stated reason it was awarded (if applicable), and the year it was given.

Thank you for your consideration. I look forward to your prompt response.

Sincerely,



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Member of Congress