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FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION
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ADDENDUM TO ATTACHMENT A

CHAIR ELLEN L. WEINTRAUB'S
SUPPLEMENTARY RESPONSE TO **QUESTION 17D** FROM THE
COMMITTEE ON HOUSE ADMINISTRATION
MAY 10, 2019

Question 17(d): *How often does the Commission plan to meet for the remainder of 2019 in Executive Session to dispose of these cases?*

As the Commission indicated in its Answer to Question 17(d) dated May 1, 2019:

At its next Public Session on May 9, 2019 the Commission intends to supplement its schedule to reflect its commitment to adopt a more aggressive schedule for the rest of the year. The Commission will provide the schedule for the full calendar year to the Committee immediately thereafter.

I am following up after the Commission's May 9 meeting as promised. I proposed to my colleagues that we add ten Executive Session meetings to our usual four-days-a-month schedule. Commissioner Walther immediately agreed. But I am disappointed to report that despite the optimism that the Commission expressed only a week ago, the remaining Commissioners would agree to only one additional meeting for the entire remainder of 2019.

Without agreement by my all of my colleagues to pursue a more aggressive schedule, we are left only with the consensus to meet in Executive Session on the following Tuesdays and on the following Thursdays (after the conclusion of Public Sessions) for the remainder of the year:

Tuesday, May 21, 2019	Thursday, May 23, 2019
Tuesday, June 4, 2019	Thursday, June 6, 2019
Tuesday, June 18, 2019	Thursday, June 20, 2019
Tuesday, June 25, 2019	
Tuesday, July 9, 2019	Thursday, July 11, 2019
Tuesday, July 23, 2019	Thursday, July 25, 2019
Tuesday, August 20, 2019	Thursday, August 22, 2019
Tuesday, September 10, 2019	Thursday, September 12, 2019

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Tuesday, September 24, 2019
Wednesday, October 16, 2019
Tuesday, October 22, 2019
Tuesday, November 5, 2019
Tuesday, November 19, 2019
Tuesday, December 3, 2019
Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Thursday, September 26, 2019
Thursday, October 17, 2019
Thursday, October 24, 2019
Thursday, November 7, 2019
Thursday, November 21, 2019
Thursday, December 5, 2019
Thursday, December 12, 2019

This reflects barely more than the Commission's historical meeting schedule.

It should be noted that the two current Commissioner vacancies pose a logistical challenge to our ability to meet. *See Answer to Question 11.* If even one Commissioner is unavailable, the Commission cannot meet, as our Directive 10 requires that four sitting Members of the Commission must be present, either physically or by telephone, in order for the Commission to meet.

The Commission's 289-case backlog (as of May 1, 2019) cannot be resolved through systemic reforms alone. Without a more aggressive schedule, and the commitment of commissioners to show up to the meetings prepared to vote on the matters on the agenda, I am concerned that the Commission will continue to lag behind.



Ellen L. Weintraub
Chair