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Colleagues,

Thank you all for taking the time to convene on May 21 to discuss the ongoing efforts to implement the President's Executive Order on Promoting Access to Voting. We are so grateful for the ambitious and creative approach so many agencies are taking to answer the President's call to expand access to our democracy.

As agencies develop the interim reports due on June 15, please do not hesitate to reach out to me, Justin Vail, or Justin Levitt with any questions or if there are ways we can help. Similarly, though a legal review is not a necessary part of the June 15 interim report, if there are questions regarding the interaction of the EO with the Purpose Statute, please encourage your agency GCs to reach out to Sam Bagenstos, who is happy to continue to offer guidance on those issues. And as discussed at the meeting, we warmly welcome any suggestions on stakeholder engagement that would be helpful to your agencies. We are planning to facilitate zoom panels early this summer with state and local election officials, organizations that engage in voter registration activities, and organizations that represent hard-to-reach or underserved communities. If you would like to be included in any of those panels, or if there are other stakeholders or experts whose perspectives you think could inform this interagency process, please let us know.

Best,
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