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The Honorable Ronald L. Rowe, Jr.  
Acting Director  
U.S. Secret Service  
245 Murray Ln SW, Building T-5  
Washington, D.C. 20223

Dear Acting Director Rowe:

I write concerning new whistleblower allegations that U.S. Secret Service leadership denied internal auditors the ability to access certain Trump campaign events. These latest allegations suggest the Secret Service is *not* consistently providing Donald Trump with presidential-level protection and attempting to conceal this fact from the government's own auditors.

A Secret Service whistleblower has alleged to my office that Secret Service headquarters blocked several auditors from the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General (OIG) from accessing recent Trump campaign events. **The whistleblower alleges that the Secret Service denied access to DHS auditors because the former president is not receiving the full level of protective assets for all of his events, and Secret Service leadership wants to obscure or simply conceal this fact.** The whistleblower alleges Secret Service leadership is permitting OIG auditors only at select events—such as a recent rally in North Carolina—where former President Trump receives the full level of protective assets, to create the impression he is receiving this level of protection at all times, when in fact he is not.

You of course have publicly stated that former President Trump *is* receiving “the highest level of Secret Service protection” and that “he’s getting everything.” This new whistleblower information troublingly contradicts your public statements.

Please answer the following questions as soon as possible:

1. Has the Secret Service blocked or in any way impeded the ability of DHS OIG officials to access **any** Trump campaign events? Why were these officials denied access?
2. Is former President Trump actually receiving “**everything**...the current president has with respect to Secret Service assets” for each of his events?

Sincerely,



Josh Hawley  
United States Senator