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The Honorable Debbie Wasserman Schultz
Chairman
Democratic National Committee
430 South Capitol St. SE
Washington, DC 20003

The Honorable Reince Priebus
Chairman
Republican National Committee
310 First Street, SE
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Dear Chairs,

Your leadership is needed urgently to protect the safety and the fundamental right to personal space of political figures.

Yesterday, *Politico* published an article describing tactics by campaign “trackers” who filmed and made public candidates’ and incumbent members’ homes and private moments.

Current Members of Congress know too well the risks associated with having every move tracked – *but to one’s family home?* In addition to putting individuals and family members at risk, such a practice is certain to overwhelm already strained safety forces in local communities.

I hope we can all agree that no candidate should have to give up the right to his or her safety at home or the safety of their family. I urge you both to immediately make clear to all campaigns that it is unacceptable that campaigns “track” people at home or otherwise invade a candidate’s personal space.

Sincerely,

Dennis J. Kucinich
Member of Congress