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**Subject:** Re: Memo (and DOC update on today's PM WG assessment)

I have a 5:30 though.

On Aug 6, 2020, at 4:33 PM, Ron S Jarmin (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <Ron.S.Jarmin@census.gov> wrote:

I can be.

On Aug 6, 2020, at 4:33 PM, Steven Dillingham (CENSUS/DEPDIR FED) <steven.dillingham@census.gov> wrote:

Thanks. I am emailing Dan Risco on need to update KDK if available. Are you both available to participate?

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**Subject:** Memo

Steve and Nathaniel,

I know you've seen the slide deck on methods for counting the undocs, but not sure if you've seen the attached memo that John and Tori prepared. This was when there's was asks surrounding relief for the plaintiffs in the Alabama case. This is the fleshed out version of the slide deck that I briefed the Secretary, KDK and Walsh on in January. Obviously, this was prepared pre-COVID. The Bureau's communication on the basic feasibility removing undocs from the apportionment count has been consistently pessimistic.

Thanks

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Ali, Some changes attached.

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The initial review of the Census Bureau's Working Group on Implementing the Presidential Memorandum has identified a significant risk to successful implementation of Section 3 of the memorandum, which directs the Secretary of Commerce to provide a tabulation that fulfills the policy outlined by Section 2.

The Census Bureau has replanned 2020 Census operations to meet its statutory deadline of December 31, 2020 to produce the apportionment counts. The apportionment count is the primary product of the Census Unedited File (CUF). After the important post-collection processing and accuracy check is complete, the CUF is used to produce the 50-state numbers (plus D.C. and Puerto Rico) reported by 12/31/20, and then serves as the basis for all additional tabulations.

The CUF is built off the self-response data, the nonresponse followup data, data from our enumeration of group quarters (third party administrated facilities). Many of these enumerations are supported by administrative records.

The only legally viable methodology identified to produce the count of illegal aliens required using administrative records to produce estimated illegal alien populations at the state level, and then matching those records against a complete CUF to produce a residual. Using administrative records to produce a count of illegal aliens will require a complete CUF. The CUF will not be finished ahead of the statutory deadline. Furthermore, the work to identify the illegal aliens is likely to take significantly longer than the end of the calendar year to produce.

Under the current schedule, and under the best, most legally defensible methodology, we are at great risk of not being able to carry out the policy outlined in the Presidential Memorandum by the December 31, 2020 date.

The Working Group thinks that within the CUF, there is some data that could identified persons with an illegal undocumented status who are persons within the ICE detention centers, but it would be a comparatively low number nationwide, only in the thousands, far short of other estimates produced using statistical sampling.