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Mr. Wade Davis, CEO, TelevisaUnivision
Mr. Alfonso de Angoitia Noriega, Co-CEO, TelevisaUnivision Mexico
Mr. Bernardo Gomez Martinez, Co-CEO, TelevisaUnivision Mexico

Dear Mr. Davis, Mr. de Angoitia & Mr. Gomez,

Univision has played a unique and important role in the Latino community as an integral source of information. By its own account, Univision's mission is to "inform and empower" the Latino community, and it is that mission that has enabled it to become a trusted source for news among millions of Hispanics. The confidence bestowed on Univision is built on the understanding that the network is committed to telling the real story about Hispanics in the U.S. while adhering to the highest journalistic standards and reporting integrity, and doing what true journalists do best — speaking truth to power.

This trust has been betrayed. It is beyond alarming to learn that Univision's leadership is giving former president Donald Trump—the most anti-Latino and anti-immigrant president in modern American history— unquestioned access and allowed him to spread falsehoods unchecked.

As we indicated in our assessment of his early presidency, former President Trump pursued an extreme agenda detrimental to the Latino community, aimed at reducing access to healthcare, targeting immigrants, exacerbating environmental harm, and drastically slashing federal funding for domestic programs. He also called Mexican [immigrants](#) "rapists" and drug smugglers, used racist rhetoric [echoed by a domestic terrorist](#) who murdered members of our community in El Paso, and separated immigrant kids from their parents among many other harmful and dangerous words and deeds.

Furthermore, as a recent [New York Times](#) article detailed, Trump's [second term](#) would not only turbocharge the failed xenophobic policies that bred cruelty, but would fundamentally change who we are as a nation. He is now pledging to bring more hate and division with plans for rounding up millions of undocumented immigrants, mass detentions and mass deportations. Trump would revive family separations, reinstate the Muslim ban and take away birth-right citizenship. These policies will inflict harm on all communities and our entire economy and specially on Latino families, the very audience Univision purports to serve.

Our communities know the consequences of a press corps that is tainted by overt political and business interests, and the pernicious outcome of an electorate kept in the dark. Many of our own families had to escape political persecution and a crackdown on the free press. The role of the press in a democracy is paramount and critical so that the government is accountable to the people. Media functions as a watchdog, informs citizens, and sounds the alarm on corruption, criminality and wrongdoing. With disinformation on the rise, and bad actors targeting our communities, we cannot afford to have one of the most powerful media companies for Hispanics fall short of the highest journalistic standards.

The Latino community expects transparent and unbiased reporting, free from external influence. Upholding the principles of journalism, including fact-checking, balanced reporting, and avoiding sensationalism or free-passes on the tough issues, are all essential for the credibility and trustworthiness of Univision.

We demand Univision conduct a thorough internal review, take corrective measures, and reaffirm its commitment to unbiased reporting and to keeping the Latino community informed and up-to-date with facts and truth. Unfiltered, unaddressed and unrestricted disinformation does a disservice to all communities in the U.S. and will destroy Univision's reputation as a credible network that informs an important electorate.

Sincerely,

César J. Blanco, Texas State Senator - SD 29

Cecilia Gonzales, Nevada state assemblywoman

Selena Torres, Nevada State Assemblywoman

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CASA in Action

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Democratic Messaging Project

Fourth Branch Action

Greenpeace USA

Immigrant Legal Resource Center

Immigrants Rising

Immigration Hub

Jean-Michel Cousteau's Ocean Futures Society

La Mesa Boricua

Labor Council for Latin American Advancement

Latino Political Avenue

Local Majority

Make the Road Action
MALDEF (Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund)
MANA, A National Latina Organization
Mi Familia Vota
MomsRising
MountainGem Advocacy & Communications
MoveOn
National Conference of Puerto Rican Women, inc
National Hispanic Council on Aging
National Hispanic Foundation for the Arts
National Hispanic Leadership Agenda
National Hispanic Media Coalition
National Immigration Law Center
National Partnership for New Americans
NextGen America
NILC Immigrant Justice Fund
People Power United
Presente.org
Pulso
Secure Elections Network
Social Security Works
The Media and Democracy Project
UnidosUS Action Fund
United States Hispanic Leadership Institute
United We Dream
Venezuelan American Caucus
Voto Latino

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Alianza for Progress
Alliance San Diego
Avondale ACTION

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Coalition for Humane Immigrant Rights (CHIRLA)
Culinary Union
East Area Progressive Democrats (EAPD)
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Florida Rising
Florida Watch
Hispanic Media
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La Union del Pueblo Entero
Latina Initiative of Colorado
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