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Dear Senator Padilla:

I am concerned about the coup.

Thank you for Monday's shadow congressional hearing on the President's attacks against the rule of law. The Republicans have almost completely abdicated legislative power to the President with Representative Swalwell even suggesting that some of their unity is out of fear for personal and family safety. Yesterday's official hearings on the Senate web site are mostly considering nominations and the other three had nothing to do with the ongoing destruction. Running a shadow government as is done in Britain would help remind us of the importance of regaining control and keep us from despairing as one institution and human right after another is ransacked.

*Please assure me that you will keep pushing back.*

My pride in the US derives in part from the rule of law.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson