

**U.S. SENATE SELECT
COMMITTEE ON ETHICS**

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**STATEMENT OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON ETHICS
REGARDING THE MATTER OF SENATOR ROBERT MENENDEZ**

Washington, DC – U.S. Senate Select Committee on Ethics Chairman Christopher A. Coons (D-DE) and Vice Chairman James Lankford (R-OK) today issued the following statement:

“Promptly upon the conclusion of the federal trial, the Committee voted to proceed with an adjudicatory review of alleged violations of the Senate Rules by Senator Menendez and was preparing a written report for the Senate with specific findings and recommendations for disciplinary action.

Yesterday, Senator Robert Menendez officially resigned from the Senate. The Committee only has jurisdiction over sitting members of the Senate. As such, the Committee has lost jurisdiction for its adjudicatory review and has closed this matter.”