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LARRY NASSAR SURVIVORS AND THEIR ATTORNEY CALL FOR ACTION BY CONGRESS FOLLOWING SCATHING REPORT ON THE ROLE OF THE US OLYMPIC COMMITTEE AND USA GYMNASTICS IN NASSAR SCANDAL COVER-UP

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WHAT: Attorney John Manly, who represents more than 180 survivors of former Women's Olympic Team doctor Larry Nassar will be joined by attorney and Nassar survivor advocate Rachael Denhollander, 2012 Olympic Gold Medalist Jordyn Wieber, 2000 Olympic Bronze Medalist Jamie Dantzscher, and former National Team Gymnast Jeanette Antolin at a news conference to respond to the shocking investigation of the role of the United States Olympic Committee and USA Gymnastics in the cover-up of the Larry Nassar scandal.

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They will call for further action by Congress, federal and state law enforcement agencies to independently investigate the United States Olympic Committee and USA Gymnastics for allegedly attempting to cover-up the largest sex abuse scandal in the history of sports.

WHO: **Rachael Denhollander**, first woman to publicly identify Larry Nassar as a child sexual predator. Recipient of 2018 Sports Illustrated Inspiration Award.
Jamie Dantzscher, 2000 Olympic Bronze Medalist, first person to file a lawsuit in Larry Nassar case.
Jordyn Wieber, 2012 Olympic Gold Medalist currently an assistant coach on the NCAA National Champion UCLA gymnastics team.
Jeanette Antolin, former Team USA gymnast from 1995-2000.
John Manly, lead attorney for Larry Nassar survivors, representing 180 women in the 500 million-dollar settlement with Michigan State University.

WHEN: 3:00pm PST, Tuesday, December 11, 2018

WHERE: Beverly Hilton Hotel
Maple Room
9876 Wilshire Blvd, Beverly Hills, CA 90210

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WHY: A report commissioned by the US Olympic Committee found that two of the Committee's top executives participated in the cover-up of the largest sex abuse scandal in the history of sports.

The report found that the former USOC CEO Scott Blackman and Chief of Sports Performance Alan Ashley were informed of allegation of sexual misconduct involving Nassar in July of 2015.

According to the report, Mr. Blackman and Mr. Ashley did not inform any other USOC employee or board member, independently confirm that USA Gymnastics had reported Nassar's to law enforcement or take any other action. As a result, Nassar was allowed to return to Michigan State University where he allegedly continued to molest dozens of young girls from July of 2015 until his arrest in November of 2016.

According to the report, the cover-up included allowing Nassar to announce publicly that he was retiring as Olympic Team doctor when Penny knew that he was under investigation by the FBI for alleged sexual misconduct. In addition, the report details extensive efforts by Penny to inhibit an investigation by the FBI, even promising job opportunities to the FBI Special Agent in charge of the investigation.

The Nassar survivors and their attorney will call upon the United States Congress to exercise their oversight authority and conduct a full and thoroughly independent investigation of the United States Olympic Committee and USA Gymnastics in order to determine who knew about Larry Nassar's three-decade long abuse of children and young women and tried to cover it up. They will also ask federal, state and local law enforcement agencies to investigate and bring charges against any individuals in the US Olympic Committee and USA Gymnastics who have violated the law.