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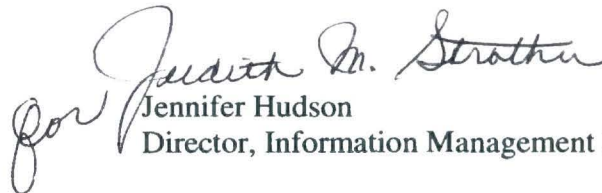
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This is in response to your 26 June 2010 letter to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) (Enclosure 1), in which you requested, under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), **“all correspondence to and from Congressional Offices in 2009, 2010 and 2011 to date”**.

The ODNI FOIA office contacted you on 26 July 2011 to discuss the scope of the search. During a phone conversation on 15 August 2011, you subsequently agreed to limit the scope of documents to those from DF-2010-00134 (Enclosure 2).

The material you requested is included (Enclosure 3). If you have any questions, please email our Requester Service Center at DNI-FOIA@dni.gov or call us at (703) 874-8500.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer M. Strother".

Jennifer Hudson
Director, Information Management Division

Enclosures

ENCLOSURE

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

January 22, 2009

Secretary Janet Napolitano
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Nebraska Avenue Center, N.W.
Washington, DC 20528

Admiral Dennis Blair (ret'd)
Director-designate of National Intelligence
Obama-Biden Presidential Transition Project
Washington, D.C. 20270

Dear Secretary Napolitano and Admiral Blair:

We write to recommend that you consider [redacted] for the position of Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis (I&A) in the Department of Homeland Security. [redacted] has a unique background in intelligence and law enforcement and has been involved in various ways with the intelligence activities of the Department since its creation in 2002. His resume is attached. (b)(6)

We know [redacted] from his service on both the Senate Intelligence and Judiciary Committees. He was a [redacted] member and [redacted], where he was also [redacted]. He was highly involved in developing the legislation to create the Department of Homeland Security and the Director of National Intelligence.

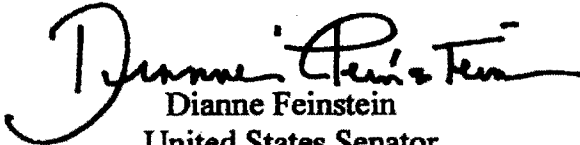
[redacted] also served as the [redacted] on the [redacted] which together we have lead. In that capacity, he worked across the aisle to enact the Subcommittee's agenda, prepare hearings, and work closely with state and local law enforcement and homeland security organizations.

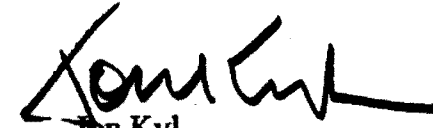
[redacted] has an extraordinary background that is well suited to the particular role of DHS I&A. He was an [redacted] n and then served [redacted] before coming to Capitol Hill. He understands the intelligence and law enforcement models, mindsets, and needs. Because he has worked for [redacted], he is particularly sensitive to the issues which

confront state, local and tribal officials, which allowed him to be particularly effective as in dealing with state and local level issues.

Beyond his formal experience, rings boundless energy and creativity to his work and knows how to operate in both political and bureaucratic environments. We believe he would be well suited to the role of Under Secretary and recommend him for your consideration.

Sincerely,


Dianne Feinstein
United States Senator


Jon Kyl
United States Senator

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January 6, 2008⁹

Mr. Benjamin A. Powell
General Counsel
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Powell:

As you are honored today by the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), I extend my own congratulations and appreciation for your exemplary service to our nation as the first General Counsel for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI).

You were instrumental in advising the first two DNIs during their implementation of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004, which established the ODNI and its statutory responsibilities. You staffed your own office with talented and effective attorneys who have been of great assistance to the ODNI, the Intelligence Community, and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence.

Perhaps the best example of your exemplary service was your significant personal involvement in the process leading up to the passage of the FISA Amendments Act of 2008. The FISA Amendments Act was one of the most important pieces of legislation passed in the 110th Congress. It made vital changes to our nation's surveillance laws, enabling our Intelligence Community and warfighters to obtain foreign intelligence in a timely and efficient manner. It also gave civil liability protections to those communications providers who assisted the government following the September 11th terrorist attacks. Our nation is safer because of this Act and its predecessor, the Protect America Act of 2007, both of which carry your imprimatur through your significant drafting and editing assistance.

The Honorable Benjamin A. Powell

January 6, 2008

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Throughout the legislative process, you worked closely with my staff on the Senate Intelligence Committee, offering creative solutions to ensure that the proper balance was achieved between gathering useful intelligence about foreign terrorists and protecting the civil liberties of our citizens. Your professionalism, perseverance, and integrity are to be commended.

Thank you for your service to the Intelligence Community and to our nation. I wish you the very best in your future pursuits.

Sincerely,



Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

cc: **Admiral Michael McConnell**
Director of National Intelligence



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*Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515*

*Anna I. Eshe
Fourteenth District
California*

January 22, 2009

Admiral Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence-Designate
Executive Office of the President
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Admiral Blair:

Congratulations on being nominated to serve as the Director of National Intelligence.

I'm writing to draw your attention to the valuable role of the Government Accountability Office as a tool of Congressional oversight by the intelligence committees and to ask that, if confirmed, you ensure GAO access to the information it needs to exercise that role.

Throughout the 110th Congress, the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, which I chaired, monitored reforms in the security clearance process required by the *Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004* (IRTPA). Last March, Chairman Reyes and I directed GAO to conduct a detailed study of the security clearance process in the Intelligence Community.

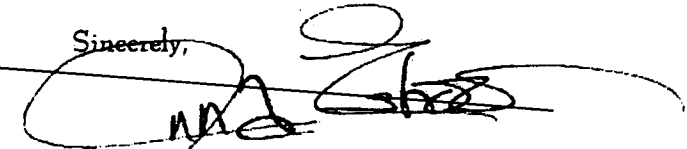
Unfortunately, Director McConnell resisted providing GAO the access it needs to carry out the study. In a letter to the Committee, the DNI refused the GAO access to information related to SCI clearances. GAO tried unsuccessfully to negotiate with the Office of the DNI. Throughout 2008, ODNI prevented GAO's properly cleared personnel from gaining access to the information and intelligence personnel they need in order to do the study.

An inefficient security clearance process harms our national security by unnecessarily delaying the hiring or inter-agency detailing of qualified and trustworthy people. A GAO study can identify inefficiencies in the process as well as best practices that could be adopted by other agencies.

In addition to ensuring that this valuable GAO study is completed, I am deeply concerned that executive branch resistance to a GAO study requested by the committee of jurisdiction undermines Congress' ability to carry out its Constitutional responsibility to conduct oversight.

I ask you therefore to correct the Bush Administration's course on this matter and, if confirmed, promptly give GAO access to the information it needs to conduct investigations at the request of the intelligence committees.

Sincerely,



Anna C. Eshoo
Member of Congress

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

January 27, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515


Dear Madam Speaker:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

- (i) Dennis C. Blair was nominated by the President to be Director of National Intelligence on January 20, 2009;
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- (iii) Ronald L. Burgess was designated as Acting Director of National Intelligence on January 27, 2009.

The ODNI's contact for Vacancies Reform Act inquiries is [redacted]. She can be reached on [redacted] if you require further information. (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

January 27, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
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Washington, D.C. 20510

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February 3, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
 Director of National Intelligence
 Office of the Director of National
 Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20511

The Honorable Robert Mueller
 Director of the Federal Bureau of
 Investigation
 U.S. Department of Justice
 935 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Room 7240
 Washington, DC 20535

The Honorable Leon Panetta
 Director-designate of the Central
 Intelligence Agency
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 Room 7-C38 OHB
 Washington, DC 20505

The Honorable Janet Napolitano
 Secretary of the Department of Homeland
 Security
 Department of Homeland Security
 301 7th Street SW, Mail Stop 0501
 Washington, DC 20528

Dear Admiral Blair, Director Mueller, Director Panetta and Secretary Napolitano:

As we start a new Congress and I begin my role as Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, I look forward to a productive and close working relationship with the intelligence and law enforcement communities. We share a simple goal: protecting the United States from all threats to our security and particularly the threat of global terrorism.

Your agencies have done a remarkable job since the attacks of September 11, 2001. At the same time, we all recognize that keeping America safe is an ongoing challenge and that constant vigilance remains our highest national security priority. I want to assure you that the Committee and I stand ready to work with you as partners in this essential task.

With that partnership in mind, I write to ask each of you to provide to the Committee your analysis and judgments regarding our current national security status. I would like your assessments of the most urgent threats to the people of the United States and also your analysis of longer-range dangers.

As part of your response, please describe the progress that your agency has made in addressing and implementing the findings and recommendations of the series of bipartisan commissions that have examined the issues of guarding against future terrorist attacks and protecting against chemical, biological and nuclear weapons. I am referring primarily to the 9/11 Commission, the Hart-Rudman Commission on National Security, and the Commission on the Prevention of WMD Proliferation and Terrorism.

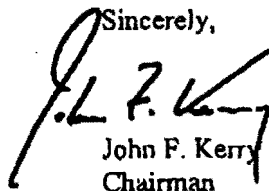
However, please do not limit your responses to issues raised in those reports. I especially want to hear what weaknesses you and your agencies perceive in our defenses against a terrorist attack on American soil or on American interests outside the country. I want to hear specifics of how you are addressing those vulnerabilities today and how you plan to do so in the future, and especially how I and this Committee can help you protect the United States and its people.

In the event that your answers require sharing classified information, please do not hesitate to inform me. I will immediately schedule time for you to provide a full assessment to the Foreign Relations Committee in closed session so that we can address these issues.

I recognize that this is a time-consuming request. But I urge you to prepare your responses in a timely fashion so that the Committee and I have the necessary information to fulfill our responsibilities in ensuring that the United States and other countries are protected from terrorism.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. I look forward to your reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "J. F. Kerry", is written over the printed name and title.

John F. Kerry
Chairman

Cc: Senator Dianne Feinstein, Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence

Senator Joseph Lieberman, Chairman, Senate Committee on Homeland Security and
Government Affairs

Senator Patrick J. Leahy, Chairman, Senate Committee on the Judiciary

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January 28, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

As the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence begins its annual oversight activities, it is imperative that it understands the Intelligence Community's assessment of the national security challenges facing the nation. To this end, the Committee invites you to testify at an open hearing to review current and projected national security threats to the United States. This open hearing will be immediately followed by a closed session.

The open hearing will take place on Wednesday, February 25, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. The location is still being determined, and your office will be informed of this as soon as possible. We anticipate the open session will conclude by 11:00. The closed session will commence after a short break, in room HVC-304 of the U.S. Capitol. The closed session should conclude no later than 1:00 p.m.

We also invite the participation of agency heads (or a designee) who can significantly contribute to the discussions, including the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis of the Department of Homeland Security, the Assistant Secretary of State for Intelligence and Research, and any others that you deem appropriate.

The Committee requests that you provide comprehensive unclassified and classified statements for the record detailing the nature and extent of the current national security threats and those projected over the next ten years. This assessment should include discussions of the threats posed by state actors such as Iran, China, Russia, and North Korea; the ongoing campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan, including political and military progress made in each country; global terrorism and terrorist safe havens in Africa and Asia; regional conflicts that may affect the national security of our nation, such as the recent fighting in Israel; threats from political instability in partner nations; and threats challenging the global community, such as the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, cyberthreats, energy security, and narcotics trafficking. These statements are due to the Committee no less than 48 hours in advance of the hearing.

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Please keep all oral remarks to a total of 40 minutes to allow adequate time for questions. Agency representatives should prepare oral statements for the hearings as well. Questions regarding these hearings may be directed to [] at []

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We look forward to a productive discussion.

Sincerely,


Silvestre Reyes
Chairman


Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member

cc: Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Undersecretary for Intelligence and Analysis
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January 29, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
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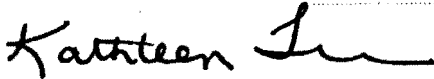
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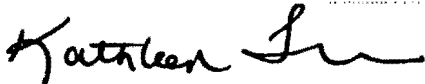
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BARBARA A. MIKULSKI
MARYLAND

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-2003

February 12, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair,

Congratulations again on your confirmation as our third Director of National Intelligence.

I am writing to request a classified report on the abilities of the Intelligence Community to monitor the rebuilding of underground tunnels between Gaza and Egypt.

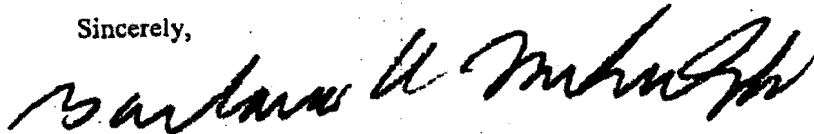
Press accounts during the conflict between Israel and Hamas detailed an extensive network of hundreds of tunnels across the Egypt-Gaza border. These tunnels facilitate the smuggling of weapons to Hamas and they hinder efforts to bring peace and stability to the region.

While Israel eliminated many cross-border tunnels during the recent conflict, I remain concerned Hamas will either attempt to rebuild these tunnels or develop more sophisticated means of camouflaging their existence.

Please address the following the questions: What technical and human capabilities does the Intelligence Community have to monitor the reconstruction of tunnels between Gaza and Egypt? What type of intelligence assistance are we providing to Egypt and Israel to enhance their capabilities to monitor Hamas' smuggling efforts? To what extent have the Egyptian efforts to eliminate cross-border smuggling of weapons into Gaza been successful?

Thank you for consideration of this issue. I look forward to working with you on this and other important intelligence matters.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senator

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

February 2, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jon Kyl
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators:

Thank you for your January 22, 2009 letter to the Director of National Intelligence, Dennis Blair, and the Secretary of Homeland Security, Janet Napolitano, recommending that Steven Cash be considered for the position of Under Secretary for Intelligence and Analysis in the Department of Homeland Security. Director Blair asked me to convey to you that he will ensure Mr. Cash is considered for the position.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me on

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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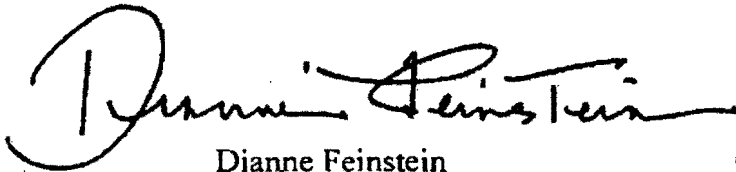
The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair,

As you know, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) receives a large number of documents of all types from the Intelligence Community (IC). Unfortunately, many of these are in paper or electronic formats that are not text-searchable by SSCI staff. We are improving our ability to search and find information quickly in our library of received documents, and need to receive as many documents as possible in text-searchable electronic format.

Therefore we request that you coordinate across the IC a change in procedure requiring that the intelligence agencies send documents to the SSCI office in text-searchable electronic format via CAPNET (in addition to other formats as necessary) whenever possible. We appreciate your help.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
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Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

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House of Representatives
Committee on Appropriations
Washington, DC 20515-6015

February 3, 2009

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Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
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Dear Ms. Vacca:

The Committee has received and reviewed your request to reprogram funds within the National Intelligence Program (NIP FY09-001).

The Committee interposes no objection to the proposed reprogramming.

Sincerely,


 John P. Murtha
 Chairman
 Defense Subcommittee

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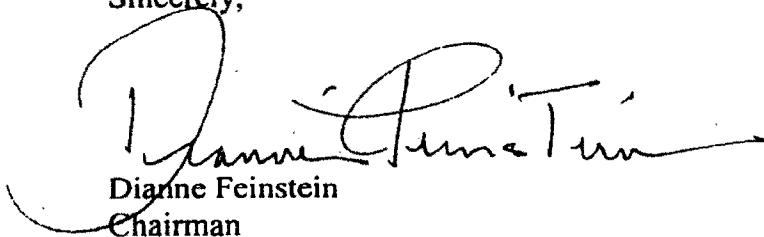
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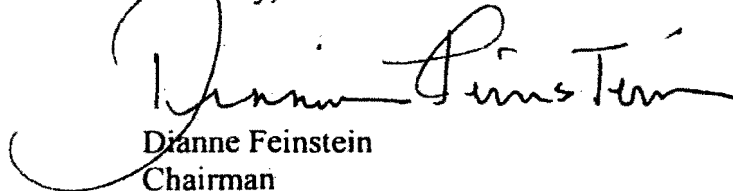
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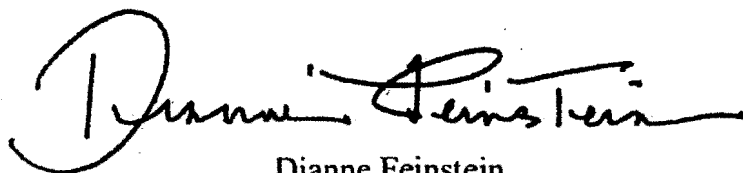
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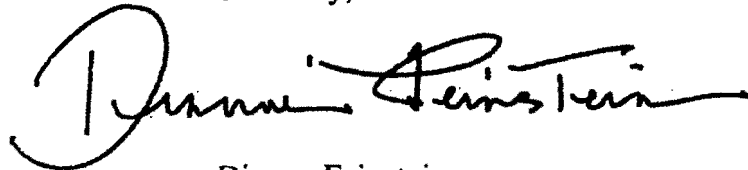
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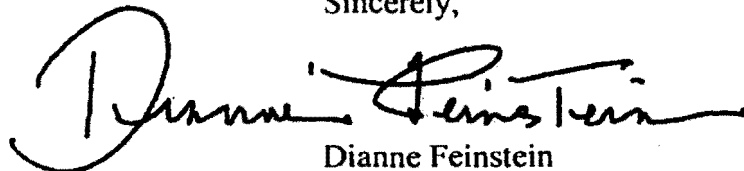
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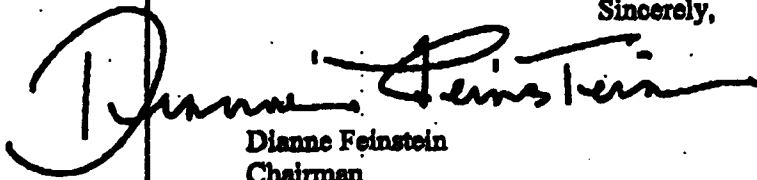
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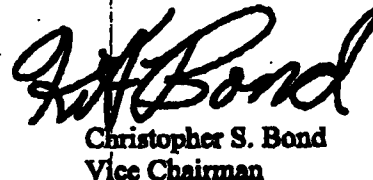
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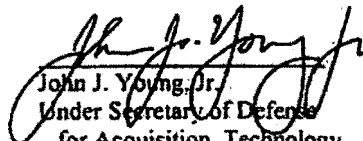
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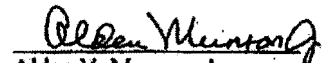
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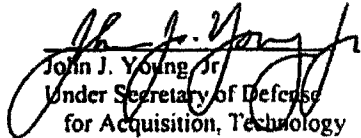
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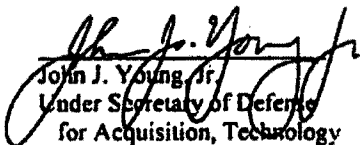
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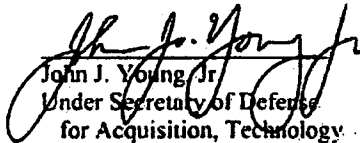
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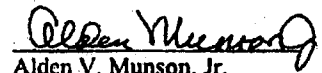
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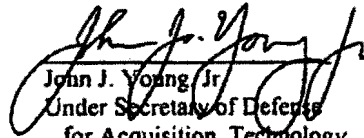
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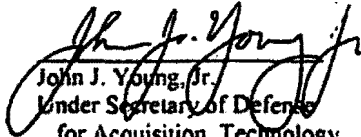
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John J. Young, Jr.
Under Secretary of Defense
for Acquisition, Technology
and Logistics

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Alden V. Munson, Jr.
Deputy Director of National Intelligence
for Future Capabilities

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cc:
The Honorable C.W. Bill Young
Ranking Member

Congress of the United States

Washington DC 20515

March 3, 2009

Mr. Edward Maguire
Inspector General
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Maguire:

We are writing with concern over the appointment of Charles "Chas" Freeman as the next Chairman of the National Intelligence Council. Given his close ties to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, we request a comprehensive review of Amb. Freeman's past and current commercial, financial and contractual ties to the Kingdom to ensure no conflict of interest exists in his new position.

As you may know, Amb. Freeman most recently served as President of the Middle East Policy Council, a think-tank funded by the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The board of directors includes Dr. Fuad Rihani, a consultant to the Saudi Binladin Group - a multinational construction conglomerate and holding company for the assets owned by the bin Laden family.

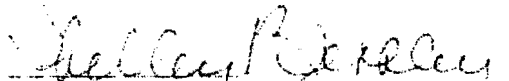
On September 20, 2006, in an interview with the Saudi-US Relations Information Service, Amb. Freeman said that "thanks to the generosity of King Abdullah bin Abdulaziz of Saudi Arabia we have managed to accumulate an endowment" for the Middle East Policy Council. According to filings with the Internal Revenue Service, Amb. Freeman drew an annual salary from the Middle East Policy Council. However, the foundation has never publicly released its list of contributors - Schedule B of IRS Form 990.

We ask you to fully investigate Amb. Freeman's past and current relationship with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia - both personal financial disclosures and the list of all contributors to the Middle East Policy Council across all years that Amb. Freeman drew a salary from the foundation - and report back to Congress on any potential conflicts of interest.

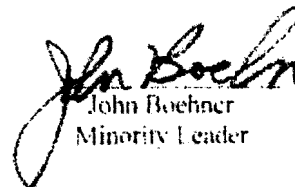
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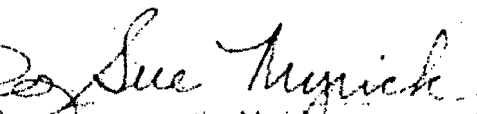


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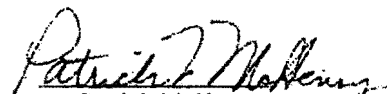


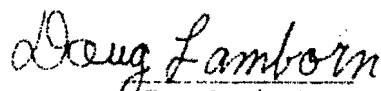
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March 3, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

Two bills on interrogation practices by elements of the Intelligence Committee were introduced and referred to the Select Committee on Intelligence soon after the convening of the 111th Congress. They are S. 147, the "Lawful Interrogation and Detention Act," and S. 248, the "Limitations on Interrogation Techniques Act of 2009." In addition to limiting interrogation techniques, S. 147 addresses the closing of Guantanamo, the use of contractors in CIA interrogations, and notification to the International Committee of the Red Cross of detentions by any Intelligence Community element. S. 147 was introduced by Chairman Feinstein (and co-sponsored by Senators Rockefeller, Wyden, and Whitehouse); S. 248 was introduced by Vice Chairman Bond.

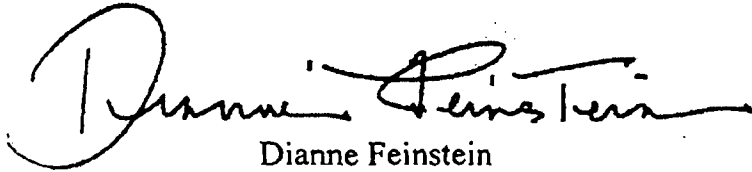
We would appreciate a report that provides the Administration's views on these bills. We are sending a copy of this request to Attorney General Holder and CIA Director Panetta, and also, with respect to Guantanamo, to Secretary of Defense Gates. We ask that you coordinate the report with them as well as with others in the Executive Branch who may have an interest in the matters covered by these bills.

Last August, we wrote to then DNI McConnell to request views on identical or similar bills (except that none addressed Guantanamo) in the 110th Congress: S. 1943, S. 3386, and S. 3437. Our letter and the DNI's October 3 response are enclosed.

We expect that the views of the new Administration may differ from those of the last on these bills. We also expect that the Administration may be of the view that the reviews now under way under the President's Executive Orders on detention, interrogation, and Guantanamo, will affect the timing of its assessment

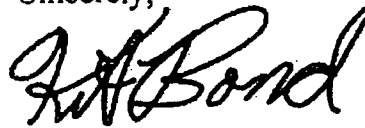
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of legislative proposals. We look forward to hearing from you at the earliest possible opportunity about when a full response to our request for views on S. 147 and S. 248 will be forthcoming.

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Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Bond". The signature is cursive and stylized.

Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

cc: The Honorable Robert M. Gates
The Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr.
The Honorable Leon E. Panetta

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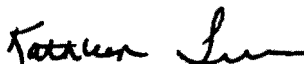
SUBJECT: Congressional Notification: Senior Leadership Position Change:
New Director of the Intelligence Staff


(U) On 28 February 2009, Lieutenant General John F. "Jeff" Kimmons will succeed Lieutenant General Ronald Burgess as Director of the Intelligence Staff for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI). Lieutenant General Kimmons is presently serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff, G-2, United States Army; a position he has held since 1 August 2005. His previous assignments include: Commander, 519th Military Intelligence Battalion (Airborne); Director of Intelligence, J-2, Joint Special Operations Command; Director of Intelligence, J-2, U.S. Central Command; and Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command.

(U) Lieutenant General Burgess is leaving the ODNI to become the 17th Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA). He will assume command on 18 March 2009. Lieutenant General Burgess reported to the ODNI in August 2005 and during his tour of duty, has served as the first Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Customer Outcomes; the first Director of the Intelligence Staff; and was dual-hatted as the Acting Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence from June 2006 to October 2007 and again from January through February 2009.

(U) If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me on

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Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs


Date

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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
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One Hundred Eleventh Congress
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

February 18, 2009

Mr. Dennis C. Blair
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Mr. Blair:

In 2007, I made a request to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) to have the CAPNet system installed in our Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF) located in the Ford House Office Building. That request was not granted. In January 2009, we acquired additional Committee space in the newly constructed Capitol Visitor's Center (CVC). This new SCIF space will improve our ability to conduct vigorous oversight over the activities of the Intelligence Community as they relate to protecting the homeland.

However, it has come to my attention that your staff now refuses to install the CAPNet system in any of our SCIF spaces. Despite the efforts of my staff and their repeated requests for additional information or a reasonable timetable for installation, they have been unable to elicit an answer as to why CAPNet cannot be installed in either Committee SCIF space. It has also come to my attention that the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI) has had the CAPNet system installed and their new offices are adjacent to our new Committee space in the CVC.

I am requesting that you provide to me a timetable for the installment of the CAPNet system in both of our SCIF spaces. It is essential that the installation of the system occur before my staff moves into their new CVC space. Thank you for your support and attention to this matter. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Mr. Brandon D. Declet, Counsel and Acting Security Officer at [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,

Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
Permanent Select Committee
On Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Ranking Member Hoekstra:

Thank you for taking the time to discuss briefly my decision to appoint Chas Freeman as the next Chairman of the National Intelligence Council. Since our discussion, I understand that you have met with Ambassador Freeman to discuss your specific concerns regarding his suitability for this position.

Ambassador Freeman has a unique and impressive resume and the dedication to independent analysis that is vital to our analytic needs as a Community. Ambassador Freeman will ask the tough questions needed to hone our intelligence assessments and challenge the Community to address problems that have been overlooked or underappreciated.

I believe without reservation that Ambassador Freeman will serve with our national interest as his sole focus and without bias, prejudice or outside influence and I have informed him that this is my expectation.

Of course, in the end, no intelligence estimate will leave the ODNI without my stamp of approval and that of my senior colleagues throughout the Intelligence Community. I hope my assurance and Ambassador Freeman's evident qualifications will translate into a productive working relationship with you and the Committee as we seek to improve the analytic capabilities and output of the Intelligence Community.

I appreciate your considered oversight as always. Please let me know if you have any further questions with respect to this matter.

Sincerely,


Dennis C. Blair

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kind of skill set
we need in doing
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

February 18, 2009

The Honorable John F. Kerry
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

The Director of National Intelligence, Dennis Blair, appreciates your recent letter dated February 3, 2009 concerning security threats to the United States, to include global terrorism. He shares your desire for a productive working relationship during the 111th Congress.

Consistent with your request for Intelligence Community (IC) assessments of urgent threats and analysis of longer-range dangers, I have enclosed three items for your perusal. The first item is a copy of Director Blair's unclassified Annual Threat Assessment of the Intelligence Community Statement for the Record (SFR) which was provided to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence during an open hearing on February 12, 2009. We are separately transmitting his classified SFR directly to the Office of Senate Security, to the attention of your Committee. Our office would be pleased to arrange more detailed classified briefings for your Committee on topics discussed in these statements.

The second enclosed item speaks to longer-range challenges and opportunities for policy-makers as we look across the global landscape through 2025. The document was recently prepared and released by the National Intelligence Council (NIC), representing the fourth installment in their effort to identify key drivers and developments likely to shape world events for years to come. More background on this initiative is available on the web at www.dni.gov/nic, and we would also be pleased to have our National Intelligence Officers meet with your Committee to discuss these issues further. As you know, the NIC routinely transmits classified products directly to your Committee through the Office of Senate Security.

With respect to the recommendations of past Commissions concerning terrorism and weapons of mass destruction, the Intelligence Community is very engaged on these matters on many levels. The third enclosed item addresses the organizational structure of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, to include the ten functional mission support activities, in addition to profiles for the rest of the Intelligence Community.

As discussed with your Senior Professional Staff Member, Edward Levine, we are available to outline these functions and profiles in more detail, and how they address past Commission recommendations, to include the ongoing work of the National Counterterrorism Center. We defer to the other recipients of your letter (Department of Homeland Security, Central Intelligence Agency, and Federal Bureau of Investigation) regarding their activities in areas of interest to your Committee.

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Again, we look forward to working with your Committee during the new Congress. If you have any questions, please contact in our Legislative Affairs office, on (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

Enclosures (3)

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, Chairman, Select Committee on Intelligence
The Honorable Joseph Lieberman, Chairman, Committee on Homeland
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The Honorable Patrick Leahy, Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
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WASHINGTON, DC 20510

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March 9, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:


During your nomination process, you indicated your understanding of the importance of clear and accurate intelligence analysis. You explained your understanding of the reasons behind the Iraq WMD intelligence failure and assured Members that one of your goals was to prevent such analytic failures in the future.

You also told the Committee that if nominated your "objective will be to ensure that the analysis produced by the Intelligence Community is objective and free of any political bias, whatever the issue or political climate might be" and said that "President Obama has made it clear ... that he expects independent analysis."

In light of your comments, we were surprised by your decision to appoint Charles Freeman as the next Chairman of the National Intelligence Council (NIC).

The NIC is responsible for providing policymakers with "the best, unvarnished, and unbiased information." Its Chairman leads this effort, is the Intelligence Community's most senior analyst, and is at the forefront of reforming analysis so that mistakes like the Iraq WMD failure are not repeated. Mr. Freeman has a distinguished resume, but his intelligence experience appears to be only as a consumer of intelligence—in other words, using intelligence for policymaking. We are unaware of another instance in which someone without years of intelligence analysis experience has been appointed to this position.

Also concerning—in light of the need for any NIC Chairman to have unquestioned objectivity and an ability to convey the Intelligence Community's judgments in a measured and non-provocative manner—are Mr. Freeman's highly



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controversial statements about China and Israel. While Mr. Freeman has since made efforts to clarify his remarks, one of the lessons of the 2007 Iran National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) is that an essential quality in leading the NIC is an ability to ensure that NIEs and other NIC products clearly and accurately convey the views of the Intelligence Community when they are published. Once a product is released it is too late to try to clarify the Intelligence Community's judgments.

At a time when the analytic community is continuing to struggle with reforming itself and when U.S. leaders, from the President to Members of Congress, have called for a depoliticization of intelligence, we believe this appointment sends the wrong message. The NIC, as the highest intelligence entity providing top level analysis, must represent the clearest level of analytic expertise, an expertise the rest of the government and the public must be assured is free from policy bias. Given our concerns about Mr. Freeman's lack of experience and uncertainty about his objectivity, we intend to devote even more oversight scrutiny to the activities of the NIC under his leadership.

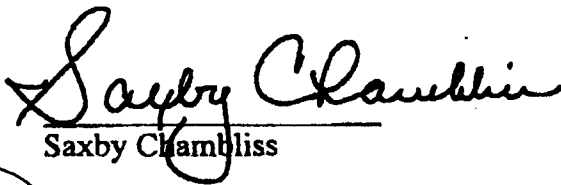
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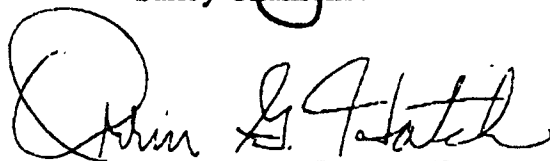
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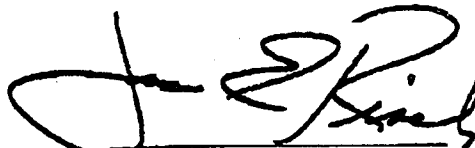
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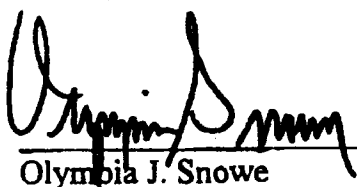
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The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
Chairwoman
Subcommittee on Intelligence Management
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairwoman Eshoo:

Thank you for your letter of 22 January 2009. I am grateful for your support of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) and look forward to working with you in the future.

We have reviewed the matter raised in your letter concerning the Government Accountability Office (GAO) study of the security clearance process in the Intelligence Community (IC). As you are aware, our Community strives to be as responsive as possible to GAO requests. We have provided the GAO numerous intelligence briefings, National Intelligence Estimates, and other analytic products and frequently make our employees available for interviews and discussions, and to review draft reports. However, because of extreme sensitivities that can arise during the oversight of intelligence-related activities, there has been a longstanding arrangement between the Executive and Legislative branches that the Congressional Intelligence Committees will be the oversight mechanism for the IC.

In this matter, the GAO was given substantial access to personnel and documents based on its request. Of the two Job Codes submitted to our Office, we participated fully in the GAO's review of the personnel security clearance reform effort (Job Code 351263), and members of our staff responded fully to GAO's multiple requests in this area. As for the second GAO study (Job Code 351224), which involves, among other things, inquiries into specific clearance determinations and reviews of individual files, we participated in four of the six elements. We have re-looked the two portions of the review that we originally declined to participate in and maintain that those elements raise significant sources and methods concerns, precisely the reason that GAO's oversight jurisdiction does not extend to intelligence activities.

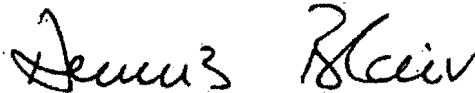
Based on current law, policy, and practices related to this matter, we must recognize the traditional arrangement between the Executive and Legislative branches that protects the extreme sensitivity of intelligence activities. It is most appropriate for oversight of these activities to be conducted exclusively by the Congressional Intelligence Committees. These

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traditional arrangements and the DNI's statutory obligation to protect sources and methods are the basis for the IC's longstanding practice of declining to participate in GAO inquiries that evaluate intelligence activities, programs, capabilities, and operational functions.

We take very seriously our statutory responsibilities to keep Congress fully and currently informed of intelligence activities. We will be happy to provide the Committee information on the personnel security clearance process and look forward to working with you on this very important issue. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me or our Director of Legislative Affairs, Kathleen Turner, who can be reached on [REDACTED] (b)(3)

Sincerely,

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Dennis C. Blair

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March 12, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

On February 5, 2009, Senator Akaka introduced S. 385, the Intelligence Community Audit Act of 2009, which was referred to the Select Committee on Intelligence. The bill is cosponsored by Senators Lautenberg, McCaskill, Sanders, Wyden, Carper, and Durbin.

The bill "reaffirms" the authority of the Comptroller General to perform audits and evaluations of financial transactions, programs, and activities of elements of the intelligence community and to obtain access to records for the purpose of those audits. It provides that those audits may be requested by any committee of jurisdiction and may include matters related to areas listed in the bill: management and administration of Intelligence Community (IC) elements in areas such as strategic planning, financial management, information technology, human capital, knowledge management, and information sharing. Audits or evaluations of intelligence sources and methods or covert actions may only be conducted upon the request of one of the intelligence committees or the Senate and House majority or minority leaders.

In the 110th Congress, Senator Akaka introduced a similar bill, S. 82, which we referred to the DNI and the Comptroller General for comment. Our letters and the responses to them are enclosed.

We would appreciate your comments on S. 385. Also, apart from whether legislation should be enacted on the authority of the Comptroller General

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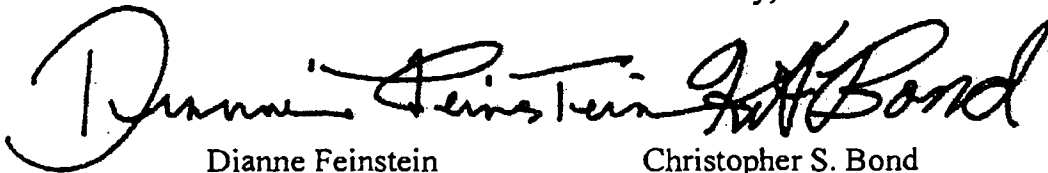
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concerning the Intelligence Community, we would appreciate your careful review, together with the Acting Comptroller General (and the Comptroller General when the vacancy in that office is filled through nomination and confirmation), of whether there are selected oversight subjects regarding which the Government Accountability Office (GAO) has expertise and for which assistance could be provided by agreement between the IC and the GAO in a manner consistent with national security. We note, for example, that Senator Akaka's bill takes particular note of management and administration in areas such as strategic planning, financial management, information technology, human capital, knowledge management, and information sharing. As part of this review, please advise us whether utilization of the expertise of the Government Accountability Office in selected areas would result in economies of scale from a decrease in the need for consulting contracts with private management consulting firms.

Please let us know of your views on the bill and the results of these discussions.

Sincerely,

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Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

cc. The Honorable Daniel K. Akaka
Acting Comptroller General Gene L. Dodaro

Enc.

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March 13, 2009

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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

The report accompanying the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2002 directed that auditable financial statements be accomplished for the Intelligence Community (IC) by fiscal year 2005. Yet today, the IC appears to be farther from that goal than when your predecessor took office in early 2007, pledging to achieve it for the entire IC by 2012. And last month the IC backed away from even that date -- without putting a new goal in its place.

We understand that your previous plan has been delayed by the need to create a new business systems architecture. Indeed, our Committee strongly supports this work, which we have called for repeatedly over the last three years. Section 313 of the Fiscal Year 2009 Intelligence Authorization bill, which the Committee reported in May 2008, is designed to empower your newly-formed Business Transformation Office (BTO) to produce a business systems architecture. Indeed, if the IC had taken on this task when the Committee initially called for it in 2006, your 2012 goal might still be attainable.

Nonetheless, the BTO's work must not delay sorely-needed improvements to internal controls, which are critical to preventing millions of dollars of potential fraud, waste, and abuse, as well as providing reliable business information for sound decision-making. Many of these process controls do not need to await the result of BTO's architectural deliberations. We therefore urge you to take strong and decisive action to see that appropriate reforms and oversight controls are in place as soon as possible.

In particular, we are alarmed by the breakdown in internal controls at the National Security Agency (NSA), following its attempt to implement its commercial, off-the-shelf accounting system, known as the Financial Accounting

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and Corporate Tracking System (FACTS). The U.S. Army Finance Command found in July 2008 that the system could not provide accurate financial reports and that the NSA's "[financial] *operation is currently in violation of public laws, treasury financial manuals and DoD regulations. Additionally, [the NSA financial] operation is not in compliance with the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act...*" An NSA Inspector General report issued five months later found gross mismanagement, contending that FACTS was placed into operation before it was adequately tested and operators were not properly trained to use it. The NSA made \$7 million in duplicative invoice payments that it knows about and possibly made more. At the end of fiscal year 2008, the agency could not successfully close its financial books.

As a result, NSA financial managers do not trust the system; only 17 percent of those surveyed believe it produces reliable business data. Worse still, the NSA paid its FACTS implementing contractor 44 percent of an award fee available in a period in which NSA rated the contractor's performance as "unacceptable". Thereafter, the NSA inexplicably decided to pay this contractor almost 80 percent of fee automatically – regardless of performance. This is unacceptable.

The Committee has been engaged in a continual dialog with the IC on auditable financial statements for a decade. We are frustrated that this dialog has yielded little in the way of actual results. Thus, we are forced to begin the process of enacting statutory requirements and/or serious restrictions on funding.

Simply stated, the IC cannot continue its sloppy internal accounting procedures.

In the meantime, to assist us with our oversight responsibility, we request you undertake the following actions:

- Brief the Committee on a Business Enterprise Architecture framework by July 31, 2009;

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair

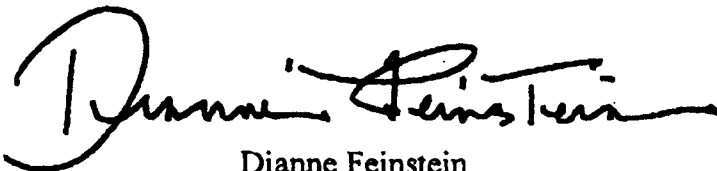
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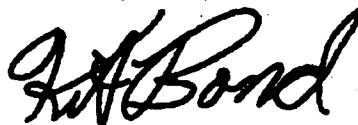
- Present an initial Business Enterprise Architecture to the Committee by December 31, 2009, to include an implementation plan with time-phased milestones, performance metrics, and a statement of resource needs;
- Keep us apprised monthly, starting in April 2009, on progress with the plan to fully staff the BTO, with special attention on the hiring of "Highly-Qualified Experts";
- Explain to the Committee no later than April 30, 2009 what specific tasks contained in your April 2007 Financial Statement Auditability Plan are: (1) unchanged; (2) modified (with new target due dates); and (3) deferred, due to BTO's Business Architecture deliberations; and
- Continue to keep the Committee apprised of your progress with this revised auditability plan no later than June 30, 2009.

The IC must be able to produce financial reports that pass independent audit if the taxpayers and Congress are to have confidence that the National Intelligence Program budget, which was \$47.5 billion for fiscal year 2008, is being spent effectively.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman



Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: Initial IC Business Transformation Roadmap

Attached is an initial Business Transformation Roadmap that depicts the current Business Transformation activities and milestones underway across the Intelligence Community (IC).

The roadmap assumes FY09 as a planning year consistent with the October 2008 Executive Committee (EXCOM) guidance and highlights key decision points required by the IC leadership, specifically a major decision in March 2010 regarding core financial systems. This decision will be supported by a business case analysis and completion of four Integrated Process Teams (IPTs) resulting in common business process determinations and informed community-wide operational strategies for systems and process management.

The business process swim lanes represented on the roadmap illustrate the major areas of Business Transformation and over the coming weeks will be fully integrated into a formal Business Transformation roadmap and initial master schedule equivalent to that for the Information Integration Program (I2P). The Business Transformation Roadmap and integrated master schedule will incorporate the Business Transformation governance approach, the initial Business Enterprise Architecture Framework, business case milestones, and the results of the Congressionally directed business systems baseline study.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at (b)(3)


Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

February 20, 2009
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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
1500 PRC Drive
McLean, VA 22101

March 16, 2009

Dear Mr. Director:

It is my understanding that on February 5, 2009, senior officials from the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community met with President Obama to brief him on recommendations regarding the future acquisition of imagery satellites and as a result of the meeting, it was concluded that a Presidential determination would be required to select the path forward.

Therefore, I was surprised to learn that you attempted to submit a report to the Congress identifying the systems to be acquired prior to the Presidential determination. As I understand it, you based your report on the recommendations of your recently appointed advisory panel.

I find the evaluation and recommendations of your panel to be incomplete. The findings of your panel are also substantially contradicted by a recent joint review undertaken by the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO) and the Central Intelligence Agency Directorate of Science and Technology (CIA DS&T) at the request of Congress.

Members from your advisory panel met with staff from our committee and four other Congressional oversight committees on March 11th. Under questioning by the staffs, the panel members admitted that they had omitted critical performance parameters from one of the competing systems while at the same time charging the costs of those omitted capabilities to the system's estimated acquisition cost. The result was a substantially inflated cost estimate of that system and an underrepresentation of its potential performance.

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As a result, the incumbent contractor's proposal, which is favored by your panel, appears to perform in a superior manner to that of the competing proposals and at a cost estimate comparable to the competing proposals. The panel also failed to fully model the competing systems against the governments established attributes for imagery collection architectures.

These attributes, agreed upon by the Intelligence Community and the Department of Defense, are the varied performance attributes that when taken together, meet or exceed as many of the combined imagery collection and dissemination requirements of the U.S. as possible. The system you recommend meets only one third of these attributes. The system whose performance parameters were decremented by your advisory panel meets all but one of these attributes.

Your recommendation is to select the incumbent contractor for our future systems. It is critical to note that the best estimates presented to the Committee staff indicate that the probability of the contractor delivering on the schedule claimed by the NRO approximates zero. It is my understanding that neither the Department of Defense, nor the Joint Chiefs of Staff has endorsed your proposal due to your proposal's high risk of creating a collection gap.

While your recommendation is high risk with regard to schedule, it is by far the most expensive. You are asking the taxpayers to pay more for a single article than we paid for the last Nimitz class aircraft carrier. Pursuing the highest cost and most risk-prone acquisition recommendation when lower cost and potentially better alternatives are available is in my opinion a poor choice.

The Congress and the President have to be able to trust your decision making as the Director of National Intelligence, not only in multi-billion dollar procurement contracts, but also in producing finished intelligence. As you emphasized in your confirmation testimony, you would never knowingly use incomplete intelligence analyses in producing finished intelligence. I feel very strongly that equal care should be afforded acquisition decisions.

Admiral Dennis C. Blair

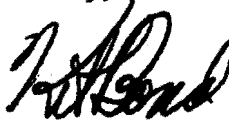
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As you may be aware, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence has been on record for more than two years advocating a departure from the path you wish to pursue. The path we have recommended is consistent with the acquisition policies of the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community to acquire lower cost sensors in more numerous quantities.

While I have not had the opportunity to discuss this issue with Chairman Feinstein or the other committee members, I will have to insist that the Committee seek a more thorough examination of all performance and cost data through independent analyses of your panel's findings as well as those of the NRO and CIA (DS&T). I believe that the proper objective is to find a solution that meets as many of the architectural attributes of both the Department of Defense and the Intelligence Community as possible within the fiscal constraints we face.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Bond", written in a cursive style.

Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

March 2, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

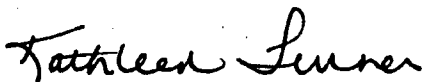
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- (v) Benjamin A. Powell resigned as General Counsel on February 27, 2009; and
- (vi) Corin R. Stone assumed the role of Acting General Counsel on February 28, 2009.

The ODNI's contact for Vacancies Reform Act inquiries is She can be reached on if you require further information.

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Sincerely,



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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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March 2, 2009

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Washington, D.C. 20510

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The ODNI's Vacancies Reform Act contact is Claudia Nadig. She can be reached at (703) 275-2502.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 20, 2009

The Honorable Robert Gates
Secretary of Defense
3E880 The Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Secretary Gates and Director Blair:

We are writing to urge you to suspend implementation of the ~~Defense Civilian Intelligence~~ Personnel System (DCIPS) and include this program in the Administration's review of the National Security Personnel System (NSPS).

We have consistently expressed concerns about the implementation of pay-for-performance systems, which would impose wholesale changes to the current federal employee system. We are deeply concerned that these systems undermine collaboration, lack transparency, do not ensure fairness, and may have an adverse impact on minorities. The implementation of these systems has caused widespread distrust and anxiety across the federal government and, in particular, among Intelligence Community employees. We note with some alarm that human resources personnel and supervisors in converting units have not received adequate training for conversions planned within the next six months.

During the campaign, President Obama indicated that he would consider either a repeal or complete overhaul of pay-for-performance systems in the Department of Defense (DOD), and this week, DOD and the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) announced that it would suspend further implementation of NSPS, pending review of this system. This review may take some time, and until it is complete, the implementation of such pay-for-performance systems like DCIPS would be premature.

We hope that you would suspend implementation of DCIPS until the Administration and Congress can properly address the future of the intelligence community's personnel systems.

We request a prompt response to this letter.

Sincerely,



Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
House Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence



Ike Skelton
Chairman
House Armed Services Committee

**OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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March 3, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

I am writing in response to your 12 February 2009 letter to Director of National Intelligence Blair regarding the provision of text-searchable finished intelligence products on CapNet. My staff has reviewed the IC product repository hosted on CapNet and we have a technical solution that will accommodate your request for text-searchable products whenever possible.

In addition, my office hosted a meeting of Legislative Affairs representatives from throughout the Intelligence Community and discussed the way forward to produce text-searchable content. Representatives from the IC will review their posting procedures and formats to advance this goal to the maximum extent possible. We have requested that all IC agencies posting documents to CapNet use text-searchable format effective March 2009. The DNI Office of Legislative Affairs will monitor the progress of agencies in this area and maintain contact with your staff to ensure that progress is being made.

Please contact me at if you have any further questions on this matter.

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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The Honorable Norm Dicks
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

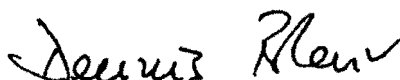
Dear Representative Dicks:

Thank you for your 4 March 2009 letter expressing your concerns about the foreign cyber threat to cellular phone networks. We agree that the number of cellular devices already in service and the likely growth in cellular use, along with the introduction of Fourth Generation cellular technology over the next several years, makes this an area of high interest to our Community. Cellular technology provides enormous benefits to the United States and to the world in general, but with these benefits come serious vulnerabilities.

Elements of our Community, as well as other Executive Branch departments and agencies, are working with the telecommunications and wireless industries to develop secure wireless devices and standards to maximize our defense posture in this increasingly important area. In this regard, you will be pleased to know that my senior cyber advisors have already met numerous times with Mr. Mark Koro, the Qualcomm representative you mention, and we continue to engage with him and other technology leaders.

Thank you very much for your attention to these extremely important issues, and for your letter addressing them.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

Thanks for emphasizing
this important issue!
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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
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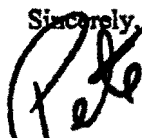
Dear Director Blair:

Press reports reported that you indicated yesterday that the Administration has "work in progress" to plan for the release of Guantanamo Bay detainees into the United States, including the "need [for] some sort of assistance for them to start a new life."

I would appreciate whatever clarification you might be able to provide with respect to the steps that are under consideration in this important matter. As you may know, I have recently indicated my view that the Guantanamo facility should remain open with increased participation by our international and coalition partners, who I believe should assume more responsibility for the shared burden of ensuring our joint security from radical jihadists.

If there is "work in progress" to bring Guantanamo Bay detainees into the United States and provide federal assistance to them, I certainly would appreciate the opportunity for Congress to provide consultation on it.

Sincerely,



Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Republican

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March 3, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
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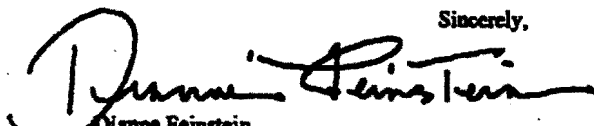
Dear Director Blair:

Thank you for your appearance at our February 12, 2009 hearing on the current and projected national security threats to the United States. Your testimony and responses to questions in an open session was appreciated and made an important contribution to the work of our Committee and the public's awareness of U.S. national security priorities.

We are submitting the attached questions for the record to you. The unclassified responses to these questions will be an important part of our public hearing transcript. We would appreciate your written responses to these questions no later than March 30, 2009.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Jacqueline Russell, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700.

Sincerely,


 Dianne Feinstein
 Chairman


 Christopher S. Bond
 Vice Chairman

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March 31, 2009

The Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr.
Attorney General
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Attorney General Holder and Director Blair:

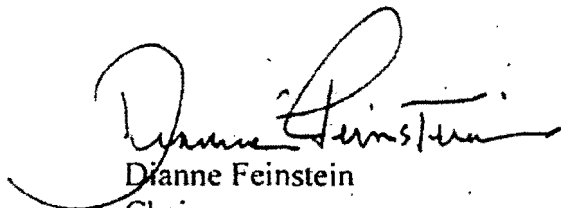
Three provisions of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, as amended, are scheduled to sunset on December 31, 2009. Two of them—on roving wiretaps and business records—were enacted or significantly amended by sections 206 and 215 of the USA PATRIOT Act of 2001, and extended for four years by the USA PATRIOT Improvement and Reauthorization Act of 2005. The third—on lone wolf surveillance authority—was enacted as section 6001 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004, and also extended for four years by the Reauthorization Act.

We would like to begin consideration of these provisions soon so that legislation can be enacted in advance of the end of the year. We would, therefore appreciate receiving from you, by May 1, 2009, your recommendations together with a written presentation of the facts and reasons that support those recommendations. To the extent that national security permits, please do so in an unclassified manner to enhance public understanding of your recommendations. Please supplement that unclassified presentation with a classified annex as appropriate.

If there are further recommendations you would like to make jointly to our Committee for legislative consideration this year based on experience under the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 or other matters relating to national security investigations, please include them in your response to this request.

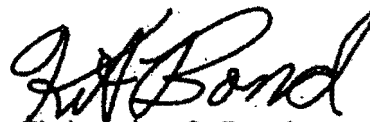
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We intend to schedule a hearing in May that will provide the Committee with an initial opportunity to consider your recommendations.



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

Sincerely,



Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

In response to your March 18, 2009 letter requesting that I immediately revoke the security clearance of John Deutch, former Director of Central Intelligence, the following is provided. I am now fully aware of the circumstances that led to the formal revocation of his security clearance on February 6, 2001. Further, I have looked into Dr. Deutch's security history and want to share with you the specifics about his access to classified information since 2001 including his current status.

Since 2001, Dr. Deutch has been granted access to classified information on two occasions. In January 2007, Director, Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) Michael Hayden requested and received a waiver to security standards from the Director of National Intelligence to allow Dr. Deutch to participate in a CIA event involving former Directors. In February 2009, we verified this 2007 action to grant Dr. Deutch Top Secret Sensitive Compartmented Information access. I later exercised my authority as DNI to grant temporary access to classified information for Dr. Deutch to participate in a short-term panel in order to leverage his extensive knowledge in a specific area undergoing review.

Following discussions with Director Panetta, we have agreed to remove the previously granted exceptional access granted to Dr. Deutch. Should there be a future requirement for Dr. Deutch to participate in a classified matter, I will make any such decision in full consideration of the issues you detail in your letter, other relevant aspects of Dr. Deutch's past history, and the results of security clearance processes deemed appropriate at that time.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: Director, Central Intelligence Agency

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6 April

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Dear Representative Wolf -

Thanks for sending the package of materials on Tiananmen Square, prisoners, Darfur, Tibet and the book on Terrorism. Your dedication to these issues is admirable. I share your dedication to this aspect of American national security policy and look forward to working with you in the future. Sincerely, Dennis Blum

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
ACTING ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR SECURITY
WASHINGTON, DC 20511
4 March 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

This letter, provided on behalf of the Security Executive Agent as established in Executive Order 13467 (dated July 2, 2008), updates the Federal Government's performance on security clearance reform goals for the First Quarter of FY09. This data is provided as a supplement to the December 2008 Report¹ and November 2008² memorandum, which together constitute the 2008 annual report to Congress as required by the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act (IRTPA) of 2004.

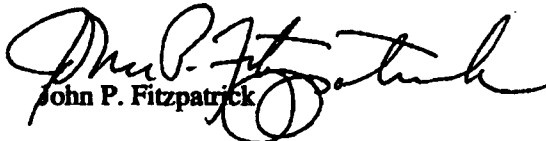
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Originals of this letter also are being sent to the leadership of the committees with intelligence oversight responsibilities. Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Kathleen Turner in the Office of Legislative Affairs at [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,


John P. Fitzpatrick

Enclosure: 1st Qtr FY09

¹ Joint Security and Suitability Reform Team Report, dtd December 2008, Subject: Security and Suitability Process Reform

² DD/OMB for Management Memorandum, dtd 5 November 2008, Subject: Update on Security Clearance Reform Effort

ENCLOSURE

Top 90%: 1st Qtr, FY09

	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Performance</u>	
		<u>Non-IC*</u>	<u>IC*</u>
<u>Initial Clearances</u>			
End-to-End	105 days	104 days**	71 days***
Investigations	65	54	65
TS	90	78	66
S/C	65	50	61
Adjudications	25	34	16

Reinvestigations

End-to-End	195 days	144 days**	142 days
Investigations	150	96	100
Adjudications	30	38	23

All Activity

Other Performance Metrics

OPM backlog > 140 days old	14,000	1,671 (as of 01/05/09)
FBI record retrieval		
Timeliness	90% < 30 days	98% < 30 days
Backlog	<10% avg mo	7% avg mo (as of 01/03/09)
eQIP usage: security clearances	95%	95%
Electronic transmission		
Investigative files	40%	28% (81,764) closed
DoD Industry adjudication	Reengineered Complete	

*IC = Intelligence Community

*Non-IC = Security Clearances with investigations conducted by OPM

**Includes time to submit application + conduct investigation + adjudicate

***The timeliness information for the Intelligence Community does not include the time to submit the application

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
ACTING ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR SECURITY
WASHINGTON, DC 20511
4 March 2009

The Honorable Joseph Lieberman
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Susan Collins
Ranking Member
Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs
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Dear Chairman and Ranking Member Collins:

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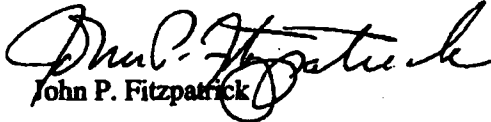
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John P. Fitzpatrick

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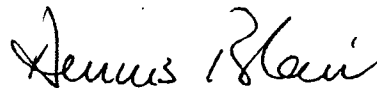
Dear Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your March 16, 2009 letter on the future of overhead imagery. We share your objective of achieving the highest level of overhead performance within the fiscal constraints under which we operate. For that reason, we convened the Kaminski Panel to review former Director McConnell's decision. The courses of action and implications are very important to this country's space programs, industrial base, and national security. We wanted to ensure it was the best decision for the Intelligence Community and our Nation. I am highly confident in the Kaminski Panel's recommendations and in the analysis that underpinned their work.

It is apparent you have concerns about the methodology of the Kaminski Panel review and the conclusions drawn from it. We welcome discussing with you the study conclusions and the way forward. Mr. Alden Munson, Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Future Capabilities, and Mr. Gil Klinger, Assistant Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Architecture, Engineering and Integration, are available to meet with you and your staff, at your convenience, to address your stated concerns. I look forward to your continued support of the National Intelligence Program.

Our Office of Legislative Affairs will be contacting your office to arrange a meeting.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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WASHINGTON, DC 20511
4 March 2009

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
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Chairman
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The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
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The Honorable John P. Murtha
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
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Washington, DC 20515

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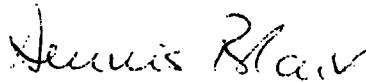
Dear Representative Hoekstra:

Thank you for your letter of April 3, 2009 concerning the disclosure of certain opinions prepared by the Office of Legal Counsel ("OLC") of the Department of Justice. The OLC opinions are the subject of Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA") litigation in the Southern District of New York brought by the ACLU. As you are aware, these opinions, which assess the lawfulness of particular enhanced interrogation techniques for use on high-value detainees, are being considered for possible release.

The Intelligence Community strives to be responsive to all requests from the Committee and we, of course, are mindful of our statutory responsibility to keep the Congress "fully and currently informed" of U.S. Government intelligence activities.

We will make every effort to accommodate your request to provide the Committee an opportunity to share its views on this matter. I am, however, compelled to note that because this decision is being made in the context of litigation, there are certain deadlines to which the Government must adhere. Absent further extension from the Court, any release of these opinions will take place no later than April 16, 2009. Accordingly, my Director of Legislative Affairs, Kathleen Turner, will soon contact your office and that of Chairman Reyes regarding your request.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
The Honorable Eric Holder
The Honorable Leon Panetta

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April 27, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

On April 2, 2009, the Senate Armed Services Committee reported S. 454, the "Weapons Systems Acquisition Reform Act of 2009." We ask that you provide us, in writing, your analysis of the impact this bill would have on acquisition programs funded by the National Intelligence Program (NIP), taking into account, in particular, the Director of National Intelligence's special procurement authorities contained in Title 50.

We would appreciate it if you could provide your analysis for each of the provisions of S. 454. In particular, we ask that you address two specific issues in your response: 1) the difference between the term "major defense acquisition programs" (MDAPs), as used by the Department of Defense and in S. 454, and the term "major system acquisitions," as used in your Report to Congress on Program Management Plans and in Title 50; and 2) the impact of S. 454, if enacted, on the March 2008 Memorandum of Agreement between the Director of National Intelligence and the Secretary of Defense "Concerning the Management of Acquisition Programs Executed at the Department of Defense Intelligence Community Elements."

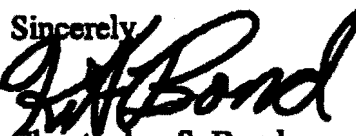
We would also appreciate your assessment of any possible interplay between S. 454 and the acquisition reform provisions of S. 2996, the "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009," as reported last year by our Committee.

Your response prior to May 8, 2009, would be greatly appreciated.



Dianne Feinstein
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Sincerely,



Christopher S. Bond
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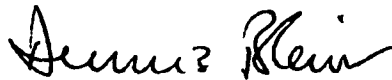
The Honorable Jack Kingston
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Kingston:

Thank you for your April 6, 2009 letter regarding the applied research being done at the Cyber Security Research Institute at Armstrong Atlantic State University in Savannah, Georgia. I agree with you that academia, working hard problems with support from the Federal government, provides enormous benefits to our Nation's security. Protecting our critical information infrastructure demands that we take advantage of the best thinking our public, private, and educational communities have to offer. I am pleased to learn of the contributions Armstrong Atlantic is making and I have asked our Director of Science and Technology to examine their research and development efforts more closely.

Thank you for your attention to these extremely important issues and for your letter discussing potential solutions.

Sincerely,



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ACTING ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR SECURITY
WASHINGTON, DC 20511
4 March 2009

The Honorable Edolphus Towns
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hoekstra:

In November 2008, our Inspector General issued a report entitled *Critical Intelligence Community Management Challenges*. I have reviewed the report and do believe it raises some important issues regarding the Intelligence Community and my Office. I would also like to add that some of the assessments are based on anecdotal and dated information. Because of this, the report in its entirety does not accurately reflect our current state as a Community.

I believe IG's can play a helpful role in improving efficiency and organizational management and I intend to ask our new IG, Ms. Roslyn Mazer, to search for meaningful ways to address our most pressing management challenges.

In the coming weeks, I will be presenting you and my IC colleagues with my vision with regard to our mission and announcing some realignments of organizational structure and additions to our management team. Notwithstanding, I would like to take this opportunity to comment on last year's IG report, which addressed five areas: Leadership and Governance; Information Sharing; Impediments to Collaboration and Integration; Improving Financial Management and Acquisition Oversight; and Resolving Major Legal Issues.

Leadership and Governance

With regard to the IG findings on leadership and governance, I believe that the views of IC employees interviewed by the IG last year merit attention, even if the sampling survey was unscientific. Our recent IC Employee Climate Survey revealed that our employees continue to rank the IC among the very top Federal employers in overall job satisfaction, employee recognition, quality of their managers and leaders, and our ability to recruit talent.

I believe internal and external communications efforts are vital to changing organizational culture and making each IC employee a participant in our success. I have assembled a new

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Communications team to address this need. I am visiting every ODNI component and have begun communicating directly in a weekly electronic message, written by me, to all employees. I have sent four messages to date and plan to leverage this tool to reach each IC officer.

In addition, I am working with my senior staff to re-think roles and organizations within the ODNI structure—we will be rolling out these changes soon. My predecessors have tried several approaches with regard to the structure and functioning of the ODNI. There are lessons learned from these approaches and we plan to improve upon them.

I am very close to articulating a statement of my goals for our Community with concrete examples of the methods we will use to accomplish those goals. I am visiting each IC element to meet with leadership and employees and I believe our statement of goals will resonate well with them.

In this area the IG's report could have better accounted for significant strides made in implementing the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (IRTPA) that have already begun to touch the working lives of our employees in significant ways:

- **Executive Order 12333** updated the 27-year-old EO to align it with the IRTPA, reflecting the reform underway IC-wide, and clarify the DNI's role as head of the Community;
- **Information Sharing** IT solutions have enabled information sharing across the IC including iVideo (for sharing imagery), Intellipedia, A-Space, and a web-based document sharing system called Inteldocs;
- **Information Sharing Agreements** to include completion of more than 10 new information sharing arrangements between the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) and other organizations;
- **Mission Management** strategies have implemented the principle of "analysis driving collection" to focus and align activities and capabilities across the Intelligence Community to achieve deep penetrations of hard targets, mobilize collection on top priority issues, and maximize return on investment;
- **The National Intelligence Priorities Framework** process has been substantially adjusted and strengthened to ensure the Community uses a common set of priorities to guide and inform decision-making based upon input ODNI gathers from National Security Council Principals and Combatant Commanders.
- **Security Clearance Reform** modernization, which the ODNI will continue to drive in this Administration; and
- **Analytic Transformation**, to include establishment of analytic tradecraft standards and evaluation, which enhance analytic rigor and quality by providing IC-wide standards and feedback to the IC that informs and focuses analytic training and professional development initiatives.

Looking forward, in June 2009, the ODNI will release the third major deliverable from the new IC-Strategic Enterprise Management (SEM) process: Intelligence Planning Guidance for the 2012-2017 budget build. This guidance will further solidify the budgetary role envisioned in the IRTPA for the DNI and enable me to better align intelligence resources with national priorities.

Information Sharing

With regard to information sharing, I agree we need to improve and I am using our Executive Committee (EXCOM), chaired by me and whose membership includes all the IC Agency/Component leaders, and the Deputies-level (DEXCOM) as management tools to push information to our Community through its leaders.

More must, and will, be done to improve information sharing while balancing the need to maintain the protection of sources and methods, but I believe the IG report did not capture some of the essential building blocks we have set in place. These include:

- ICD 501 on Access to and Dissemination of Intelligence has been published and we have turned to implementation of this vital Directive—this was called for in the IG report and is now complete;
- The process to identify and adjudicate information sharing disputes among IC elements has addressed 26 cases from 15 organizations since November 2007 – 19 of these were quickly resolved;
- A National Strategy for Information Sharing has been adopted and focuses on improving sharing of homeland security, terrorism and law enforcement information; and
- A Facilitation and Resolution team has been established for analysts as an avenue to adjudicate decisions when access to intelligence has been denied, and a Senior Review Group is now been established as a matter of policy to serve as a “court of last resort” in these matters.

In addition, significant milestones will be reached in the near future:

- By June 2009, as a result of ICD 501, we will have the process and IT mechanisms in place to ensure that every piece of intelligence we disseminate (excluding a small number of very sensitive items) is discoverable by IC analysts; and
- This year we plan to deliver the first new capability associated with our IC-wide Information Integration Program – ONEmail, which will provide the first email platform in which all IC employees can participate.

Impediments to Collaboration and Integration

With regard to removing impediments to IC-wide collaboration and integration, I am fully committed to this effort. I am working closely with the EXCOM and DEXCOM to build on the initiatives put in place by my predecessors.

When I issue my statement of goals for the IC, I will sit down with each IC leader and work with them to define their role in accomplishing these goals and determine what they need from me and my staff to succeed.

Our collaborative efforts have been exemplary as evidenced in the warning and analytic efforts surrounding North Korea's most recent Taepo Dong 2 launch, the IC's support to policymakers during the naval incident with USS IMPECCABLE, and the efforts to achieve a decision on the nation's electro-optical satellite architecture via a deliberative, careful and consultative process.

Many of the "lanes in the road" disputes or overlapping authorities issues alluded to in the IG report have been addressed, including counterterrorism analysis, information sharing disputes, milestone decision authorities and acquisition guidance, the issue of DNI representatives overseas, etc. Challenges remain, however, and we are continuing to address them.

For example, we have room to promote more integrated action with DoD in overseas operations, overcoming some barriers to cooperation that have held us back in the past. These issues alert us to the need for change and give us the opportunity to take corrective action; they are a "to-do list."

Improving Financial Management and Acquisition Oversight

We will continue to update the Congress on our progress toward IC-wide auditability, while we proceed with our business transformation efforts. We recognize that business transformation is critical to achieving auditability, and is worth devoting the time and resources needed to achieve this goal.

In addition, we are making steady progress in instituting acquisition improvements to recover from the failed acquisition efforts of the mid-1990's. The IG is following up with a more in-depth look at acquisition, which will note progress made— such as implementation of the 2008 memorandum of agreement between the DoD and the ODNI and policies to strengthen my role in Independent Cost Estimates.

I will carefully review the IG's more in-depth and up-to-date work on acquisition and share my views in the near future.

Resolving Major Legal Issues

With respect to resolving major legal issues, I believe the report does not adequately account for the modernization of FISA, issuance of Attorney General Guidelines governing the FBI's domestic operations, or the revision of Executive Order 12333.

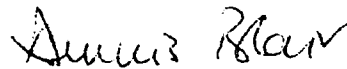
Also, it does not take into account the significant work done by the jointly led Justice-ODNI Working Group on U.S. persons, its clarification of critical definitional matters, contribution to new FBI Attorney General approved guidelines, and its leading role in drafting and coordinating Intelligence Community Directive 102, which captures a process to issue consistent interpretations of U.S. persons principles across the IC.

Together, the measures taken over the last four years constitute the largest substantive IC legal reforms in over thirty years. These new measures go a significant way towards addressing many of the legitimate legal challenges that the Community has faced in the past, as well as, towards implementing the Intelligence Reform and Terrorist Prevention Act.

In conclusion, I believe that while this IG report may be an imperfect data point regarding our progress, it raises important issues that will affect future progress. We will not lose sight of them.

Thank you for your continued and careful oversight of the Intelligence Community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dennis Blair", written in a cursive style.

Dennis C. Blair

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March 4, 2009

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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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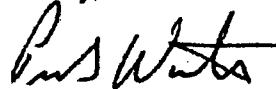
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March 4, 2009

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
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The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
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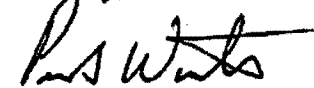
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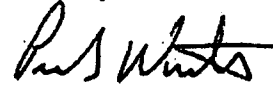
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The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
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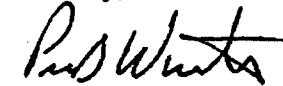
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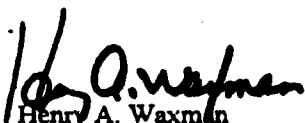
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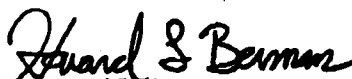
We are writing to urge you to withdraw the appointment of Chas Freeman to serve as Chair of the National Intelligence Council (NIC). While Ambassador Freeman has had a long career of public service, his dogmatic views, rhetorical pronouncements, and possible financial conflicts of interest make him the wrong choice for this critical role as a key filter of intelligence analysis and the gatekeeper to the National Intelligence Estimate (NIE).

It is essential for the President and your office to solicit candid and diverse perspectives and input in policy analysis and decision-making. We are deeply concerned, however, that Ambassador Freeman's sustained and documented record of controversial opinions on the Middle East Peace Process, China's democracy movement, and his reported close financial ties to the Saudi Kingdom, could cloud future National Intelligence Estimates and steer the Council's analytical activities in a skewed direction.

The National Intelligence Council is an essential forum. Its principle officer should not be the source of chronic controversy that will detract from the Council's core mission and serve as a distraction to you and the President. We urge you to reconsider your decision and inspire the confidence of policymakers, members of the intelligence community, and the public who agree that Ambassador Freeman should not serve in this position.

Sincerely,


Henry A. Waxman
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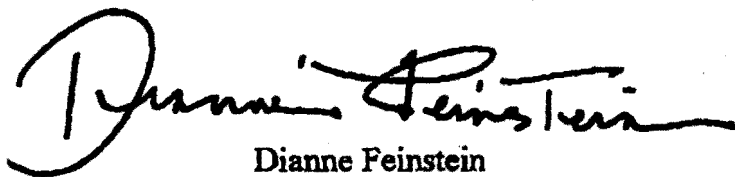
Dear Director Blair:

We have reviewed the response to the congressionally directed action regarding the National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC) contained in the Defense Appropriations Conference Joint Explanatory Statement accompanying the Fiscal Year 2009 Continuing Resolution.

We note that the Joint Explanatory Statement specifically directed the Director of National Intelligence "to assess the National Drug Intelligence Center's capabilities." Despite the clear intent of this request, the response from the Office of the Director of National Intelligence failed to perform such an assessment. In fact, the report states that the response does not constitute a "review of the substantive quality of the National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC) analytic output."

We would like your view on the capabilities and quality of the work done by NDIC, and recommendations on whether the Intelligence Community should continue to provide funds to it.

Sincerely,



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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Cochran:

In November 2008, our Inspector General issued a report entitled *Critical Intelligence Community Management Challenges*. I have reviewed the report and do believe it raises some important issues regarding the Intelligence Community and my Office. I would also like to add that some of the assessments are based on anecdotal and dated information. Because of this, the report in its entirety does not accurately reflect our current state as a Community.

I believe IG's can play a helpful role in improving efficiency and organizational management and I intend to ask our new IG, Ms. Roslyn Mazer, to search for meaningful ways to address our most pressing management challenges.

In the coming weeks, I will be presenting you and my IC colleagues with my vision with regard to our mission and announcing some realignments of organizational structure and additions to our management team. Notwithstanding, I would like to take this opportunity to comment on last year's IG report, which addressed five areas: Leadership and Governance; Information Sharing; Impediments to Collaboration and Integration; Improving Financial Management and Acquisition Oversight; and Resolving Major Legal Issues.

Leadership and Governance

With regard to the IG findings on leadership and governance, I believe that the views of IC employees interviewed by the IG last year merit attention, even if the sampling survey was unscientific. Our recent IC Employee Climate Survey revealed that our employees continue to rank the IC among the very top Federal employers in overall job satisfaction, employee recognition, quality of their managers and leaders, and our ability to recruit talent.

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I believe internal and external communications efforts are vital to changing organizational culture and making each IC employee a participant in our success. I have assembled a new Communications team to address this need. I am visiting every ODNI component and have begun communicating directly in a weekly electronic message, written by me, to all employees. I have sent four messages to date and plan to leverage this tool to reach each IC officer.

In addition, I am working with my senior staff to re-think roles and organizations within the ODNI structure—we will be rolling out these changes soon. My predecessors have tried several approaches with regard to the structure and functioning of the ODNI. There are lessons learned from these approaches and we plan to improve upon them.

I am very close to articulating a statement of my goals for our Community with concrete examples of the methods we will use to accomplish those goals. I am visiting each IC element to meet with leadership and employees and I believe our statement of goals will resonate well with them.

In this area the IG's report could have better accounted for significant strides made in implementing the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (IRTPA) that have already begun to touch the working lives of our employees in significant ways:

- **Executive Order 12333** updated the 27-year-old EO to align it with the IRTPA, reflecting the reform underway IC-wide, and clarify the DNI's role as head of the Community;
- **Information Sharing** IT solutions have enabled information sharing across the IC including iVideo (for sharing imagery), Intellipedia, A-Space, and a web-based document sharing system called Inteldocs;
- **Information Sharing Agreements** to include completion of more than 10 new information sharing arrangements between the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) and other organizations;
- **Mission Management** strategies have implemented the principle of "analysis driving collection" to focus and align activities and capabilities across the Intelligence Community to achieve deep penetrations of hard targets, mobilize collection on top priority issues, and maximize return on investment;
- The **National Intelligence Priorities Framework** process has been substantially adjusted and strengthened to ensure the Community uses a common set of priorities to guide and inform decision-making based upon input ODNI gathers from National Security Council Principals and Combatant Commanders.
- **Security Clearance Reform** modernization, which the ODNI will continue to drive in this Administration; and
- **Analytic Transformation**, to include establishment of analytic tradecraft standards and evaluation, which enhance analytic rigor and quality by providing IC-wide standards and feedback to the IC that informs and focuses analytic training and professional development initiatives.

Looking forward, in June 2009, the ODNI will release the third major deliverable from the new IC-Strategic Enterprise Management (SEM) process: Intelligence Planning Guidance for the 2012-2017 budget build. This guidance will further solidify the budgetary role envisioned in the IRTPA for the DNI and enable me to better align intelligence resources with national priorities.

Information Sharing

With regard to information sharing, I agree we need to improve and I am using our Executive Committee (EXCOM), chaired by me and whose membership includes all the IC Agency/Component leaders, and the Deputies-level (DEXCOM) as management tools to push information to our Community through its leaders.

More must, and will, be done to improve information sharing while balancing the need to maintain the protection of sources and methods, but I believe the IG report did not capture some of the essential building blocks we have set in place. These include:

- ICD 501 on Access to and Dissemination of Intelligence has been published and we have turned to implementation of this vital Directive—this was called for in the IG report and is now complete;
- The process to identify and adjudicate information sharing disputes among IC elements has addressed 26 cases from 15 organizations since November 2007 – 19 of these were quickly resolved;
- A National Strategy for Information Sharing has been adopted and focuses on improving sharing of homeland security, terrorism and law enforcement information; and
- A Facilitation and Resolution team has been established for analysts as an avenue to adjudicate decisions when access to intelligence has been denied, and a Senior Review Group is now been established as a matter of policy to serve as a “court of last resort” in these matters.

In addition, significant milestones will be reached in the near future:

- By June 2009, as a result of ICD 501, we will have the process and IT mechanisms in place to ensure that every piece of intelligence we disseminate (excluding a small number of very sensitive items) is discoverable by IC analysts; and
- This year we plan to deliver the first new capability associated with our IC-wide Information Integration Program – ONEmail, which will provide the first email platform in which all IC employees can participate.

Impediments to Collaboration and Integration

With regard to removing impediments to IC-wide collaboration and integration, I am fully committed to this effort. I am working closely with the EXCOM and DEXCOM to build on the initiatives put in place by my predecessors.

When I issue my statement of goals for the IC, I will sit down with each IC leader and work with them to define their role in accomplishing these goals and determine what they need from me and my staff to succeed.

Our collaborative efforts have been exemplary as evidenced in the warning and analytic efforts surrounding North Korea's most recent Taepo Dong 2 launch, the IC's support to policymakers during the naval incident with USS IMPECCABLE, and the efforts to achieve a decision on the nation's electro-optical satellite architecture via a deliberative, careful and consultative process.

Many of the "lanes in the road" disputes or overlapping authorities issues alluded to in the IG report have been addressed, including counterterrorism analysis, information sharing disputes, milestone decision authorities and acquisition guidance, the issue of DNI representatives overseas, etc. Challenges remain, however, and we are continuing to address them.

For example, we have room to promote more integrated action with DoD in overseas operations, overcoming some barriers to cooperation that have held us back in the past. These issues alert us to the need for change and give us the opportunity to take corrective action; they are a "to-do list."

Improving Financial Management and Acquisition Oversight

We will continue to update the Congress on our progress toward IC-wide auditability, while we proceed with our business transformation efforts. We recognize that business transformation is critical to achieving auditability, and is worth devoting the time and resources needed to achieve this goal.

In addition, we are making steady progress in instituting acquisition improvements to recover from the failed acquisition efforts of the mid-1990's. The IG is following up with a more in-depth look at acquisition, which will note progress made— such as implementation of the 2008 memorandum of agreement between the DoD and the ODNI and policies to strengthen my role in Independent Cost Estimates.

I will carefully review the IG's more in-depth and up-to-date work on acquisition and share my views in the near future.

Resolving Major Legal Issues

With respect to resolving major legal issues, I believe the report does not adequately account for the modernization of FISA, issuance of Attorney General Guidelines governing the FBI's domestic operations, or the revision of Executive Order 12333.

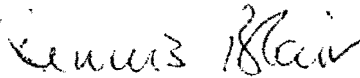
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Together, the measures taken over the last four years constitute the largest substantive IC legal reforms in over thirty years. These new measures go a significant way towards addressing many of the legitimate legal challenges that the Community has faced in the past, as well as, towards implementing the Intelligence Reform and Terrorist Prevention Act.

In conclusion, I believe that while this IG report may be an imperfect data point regarding our progress, it raises important issues that will affect future progress. We will not lose sight of them.

Thank you for your continued and careful oversight of the Intelligence Community.

Sincerely,

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Dennis C. Blair

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

MAR 06 2009

The Honorable Steve Israel
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Israel:

I am writing to underscore my full support for the appointment of Ambassador Charles Freeman as Chairman of the National Intelligence Council (NIC). Ambassador Freeman brings to the National Intelligence Council exceptional talent and experience that will strengthen the Intelligence Community's ability to produce first rate assessment products.

Ambassador Freeman has extensive, diverse experience in military, diplomatic and intelligence work, knowledge of several major languages and cultures, and practical experience within the U.S. Government as a productive contributor and a team player. He is known for his ability to draw upon his intellectual strength and operational experience to lay out insightful, understandable assessments of complex problems.

Ambassador Freeman has served the United States in difficult, demanding assignments. His focus has been and will continue to be our national interest, not that of the various countries and cultures where he has developed an expertise.

This job of Chairman of the NIC is one of analysis, not policy. The Chairman and his colleagues on the NIC are charged with presenting the best possible intelligence assessments to our nation's national security team, independent of any personal views or the wishes of the policy makers who receive them.

The National Intelligence Council draws from experts from throughout the IC to produce Community judgments on specific issues - a process that involves give and take among the 16 intelligence agencies (plus the ODNI) and, at times, the inclusion of differing views. This process holds true for our highest-level products, NIEs, as well as shorter analytic products. I am committed to ensuring that the NIC continues to be an organization representing the best talent assembled from throughout the Community.

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As a full participant and leader of this review process, I personally approve each National Intelligence Estimate in my capacity as the leader of the Intelligence Community and as the President's principal advisor on intelligence matters.

Ambassador Freeman has never been a Capitol Hill lobbyist nor has he ever lobbied on behalf of any government or business (domestic or foreign). Ambassador Freeman has never received any income directly from Saudi Arabia or any Saudi-controlled entity.

The Middle East Policy Council (MEPC), which he chaired for 12 of its 30 year history, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit that does not take positions on issues. All of its activities are entirely transparent and in the public domain. The MEPC has never lobbied on behalf of any cause or government. Saudi Government contributions to the MEPC account for no more than one-twelfth of the MEPC's annual operating budget of \$600,000. For his part, Ambassador Freeman was compensated a total of \$76,000 and \$84,000 annually for both his time and expenses.

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I am aware of your letter to the ODNI Inspector General. I have asked the IG to examine concerns raised about his appointment. However, in addition to the security clearance process and public financial disclosures, I believe that the Inspector General's examination will put to rest any questions about Ambassador Freeman's suitability, character and financial history.

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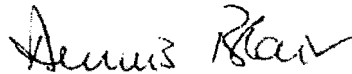
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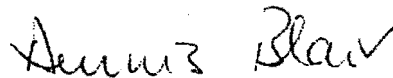
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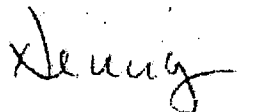
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I will keep the Committee informed of developments in this area, and look forward to engaging the Committee on this issue.

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Dennis C. Blair

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Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
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Ranking Member
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your April 29, 2009 letter requesting an explanation of how procurements of information technology within the Intelligence Community are managed and approved. We appreciate the opportunity to clarify the two issues associated with your request.

The terms "acquisition" and "procurement" are often used interchangeably. However, in certain contexts, both the Department of Defense and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) make policy distinctions between the two terms. In those instances, "procurement" is the buying of goods and services for the government, often commercially available goods; while "acquisition" refers to activities supporting the entire life cycle of developmental and non-developmental systems, and for which procurement is a supporting function. (See Defense Acquisition University Glossary of terms.)

In an amendment to the National Security Act of 1947, Congress created, by statute, a presidentially appointed and Senate confirmed Chief Information Officer of the Intelligence Community (IC CIO) within the ODNI. The IC CIO has authorities, subject to the direction of the DNI, to direct and manage all IT related procurements for the IC and to have procurement approval authority over all IT items related to the enterprise architecture of IC components. In the ODNI, we manage and approve information technology acquisitions through a teaming of the Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Future Capabilities (DDNI/FC) and the IC CIO.

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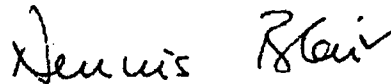
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Sincerely,

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Dennis C. Blair

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March 9, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

I am writing to forward you the attached letter and report, which I received from Madeleine C. Albright and William S. Cohen, Co-Chairs of the Genocide Prevention Task Force.

As the letter from Co-Chairs Albright and Cohen indicates, the Intelligence Community plays a critical role in ensuring that the Government is able to effectively and timely respond to genocide. It is absolutely essential that the United States takes a leading role in international efforts to prevent these atrocities.

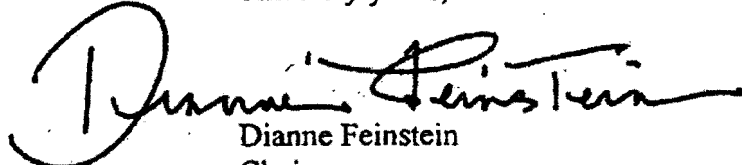
The Task Force has specific recommendations for preventing genocide that require your consideration as the Director of National Intelligence, including:

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I look forward to your response and welcome the opportunity to work with you on this important issue.

Sincerely yours,



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Madeleine Albright
The Honorable William Cohen

Attachment

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

We have more work to do
in the Executive Branch before
I can give you a good answer —

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

March 10, 2009

Mr. Edward Maguire
Inspector General
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Maguire:

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Steve Israel
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

I am writing to supplement my answer to question 19 of the Prehearing Questions propounded to me by the Committee. As I note in that answer, I represent several present and former employees of the Central Intelligence Agency. Because my representation of these individuals relates to non-public matters, I believe my ethical responsibilities to preserve the "confidence[s]" and "secret[s]" of a client under D.C. Rule of Professional Conduct 1.6(a) require me to be circumspect in discussing these representations, and in particular the identity of my clients, in public. However, I believe it is important for the Committee to understand the details.

In particular, I represent two employees of the Agency who I believe are currently undercover, who had some role in the rendition, detention and interrogation of suspected terrorists. I also represent [redacted] who was [redacted]

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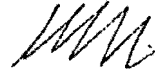
to participate fully in that process as it relates to detention and interrogation going forward.

I appreciate the Committee's consideration of my situation. I am, of course, prepared to answer questions about this matter at the confirmation hearing. However, as noted above, my understanding of the applicable Rules of Professional Conduct is that I am not permitted to disclose the identity of my clients in non-public matters of this nature. Although I have obtained permission from [redacted] to disclose his identity on a confidential basis to the Committee for this limited purpose, I also respectfully request that the Committee treat [redacted] identity as confidential consistent with his request.

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Thank you for your consideration of my nomination.

Sincerely,



Robert S. Litt

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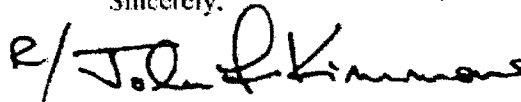
The Honorable Sue Wilkins Myrick
Subcommittee on Intelligence Community
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Madam Chairman and Representative Myrick:

(U) Thank you for your letter of 12 May 2009 regarding the DNI's response to the ODNI Inspector General's November 2008 Management Challenges report. I look forward to appearing before the Committee on June 3 to discuss some of the issues raised in your letter.

(U) Both Director Blair and I look forward to working with you to ensure that the Office of the DNI and the Intelligence Community as a whole address our most serious challenges, including those identified in the Inspector General's November 2008 report.

Sincerely,



John F. Kimmons
Lieutenant General, USA

cc: The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
The Honorable Peter Hoekstra

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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

As promised, per our recent telephone conversation I would like to share with you the following:

1. A pair of socks made by Tiananmen Square demonstrators sentenced to forced labor in Beijing Prison No. 1. Some of these dissidents still languish in jail today.
2. Video tapes from my trip to Darfur in the summer of 2004, in which four women recount their stories of being brutally beaten and raped while searching for firewood outside a refugee camp.
3. The report I wrote upon my return to the United States after visiting Tibet in August of 1997. I personally spoke with Buddhist monks and nuns who were brutally tortured in the infamous Drapechi prison.
4. A copy of Lawrence Wright's Pulitzer Prize winning book, The Looming Tower, which I referenced in my letter to President Obama
5. The National Commission on Terrorism's report to the Congress on the threat of international terrorism.

I look forward to working with you in the days to come.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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As promised.

*Thanks for you source
Best Wishes*

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

March 17, 2009

The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

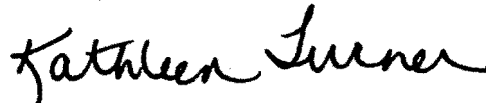
This letter responds to your 18 February 2009 letter to the Director of National Intelligence, Dennis C. Blair, regarding installation of CapNet work stations in Committee spaces in the Ford House Office Building and the Capitol Visitor's Center (CVC).

Our staff has met with staff from your Committee and Office of the DNI technical personnel have conducted site-surveys of your Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF) areas. We understand the urgency of the CVC installation and you may be assured that we are proceeding to provide CapNet capability to your new Committee spaces in the CVC on a priority basis.

If you have any further questions regarding this matter, please contact me on

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

June 8, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your May 1, 2009 letter to Director Blair requesting additional information on the capabilities of the work done by the National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC) and recommendations on whether the Intelligence Community should continue to provide funds to it. The information that follows supplements our March 31, 2009 submission to the Congress in response to H.R. 2638, P.L. 110-329 enacted 30 September 2008, on the National Drug Intelligence Center (NDIC), an element of the Department of Justice.

Tradecraft

NDIC's analytic capacity includes an in-house training program to maintain and propagate NDIC methods. NDIC leadership plans to incorporate the IC's analytic tradecraft into this training. At NDIC's invitation, the DNI's Office of Analytic Integrity and Standards (AIS) recently agreed to provide NDIC analysts and managers training similar to that AIS has provided to numerous IC analytic elements on how analysts can use IC Analytic tradecraft to enhance analytic rigor and effective communication in analytic products.

The training session took place on May 20-21, 2009 in Johnstown, PA. AIS trained senior level analysts and managers in Johnstown on the proper application of the Analytic Tradecraft Standards found in Intelligence Community Directive 203 and provided attendees training materials that they can share with others in NDIC and incorporate into NDIC's in-house training program.

The ODNI also encourages NDIC to make its specialized counterdrug training, already widely offered in the law enforcement community, more readily accessible to IC analysts.

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JANE HARMAN

MEMBER OF CONGRESS
CALIFORNIA

June 10, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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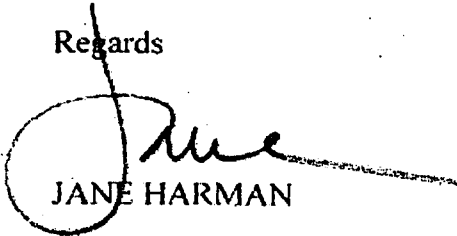
Dear Mr. Director:

I have learned that you might travel in early July to my Congressional District to visit some of the area's major aerospace contractors. CIA Director Panetta made a similar trip last month to "kick the tires" that I believe he found to be extremely fruitful.

In addition to all of the country's major satellite producers, the 36th District is home to the Space and Missile Systems Center (SMC) at the Los Angeles Air Force Base. You could visit all the critical aerospace firms and SMC in the course of a day.

As you know, our intelligence architecture and the industrial base that designs and builds it are crucial assets – ones I have focused on during eight terms in Congress. I would be happy to assist in planning your visit and, if your schedule permits, perhaps accompanying you.

Regards


JANE HARMAN

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June 11, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

Earlier this week, Senator Tom Coburn, a member of our Committee, wrote to you to request answers to questions for the record that he posed following your appearance before our Committee at its annual threat assessment hearing in February. His questions asked about Intelligence Community assessments about the suitability of detainees for release and about the Yemeni Government's ability to successfully rehabilitate or constrain any Yemeni detainees who are transferred from Guantanamo Bay (GTMO).

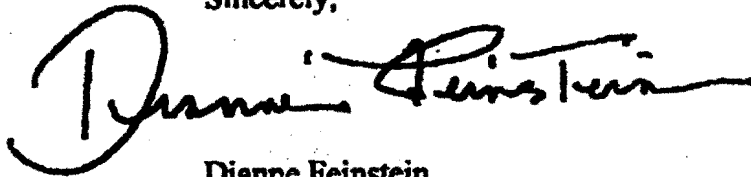
I associate myself with the concerns raised by Senator Coburn and join him in looking forward to the response to his questions.

Senator Coburn's letter to you takes note of information recently provided to our Committee by the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and quotes part of a sentence in DIA's transmittal. In the hope it might be helpful for you to have the complete sentence, it is:

"DIA has consistently objected to the movement of the detainees DIA assesses to be the most dangerous, however, *during the past several years* has not objected to the movement of many rank and file members of terrorist organizations due to the explicit understanding that many detainees were destined to be transferred out of GTMO regardless of intelligence-based objections." (emphasis added).

So to be clear, the DIA was, in fact, referring to "the past several years."
I write solely to make the record clear.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Dianne Feinstein". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Dianne" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Feinstein".

Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Tom Coburn



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March 23, 2009

Mr. Edward Maguire
Inspector General
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Maguire:

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management will hold an open hearing on your report titled "Critical Intelligence Community Management Challenges." The hearing will be on Wednesday, April 1, from 10:00 a.m. until noon, in 2203 Rayburn House Office Building. We cordially invite you or your designee to testify in open session.

We believe that your report provides a good overview of the Community-wide issues the Intelligence Community must address during the 111th Congress. In particular, we would be interested in your views about the need for the DNI to place stronger emphasis on management and to ensure that the roles, responsibilities and authorities of the ODNI are made clear throughout the Intelligence Community. Other areas of particular interest include the ODNI's role in information sharing, ensuring collaboration among agencies, and leading an IC-wide process for requirement-setting and acquisitions. We would also like to know of actions that have been taken over the past three or four months to address concerns cited in your report.

The Subcommittee looks forward to this opportunity to consider the issues your report raises. Please provide your statement for the record no later than March 30th. Questions regarding this hearing may be directed to Ms. Mieke Eoyang, Subcommittee Staff Director, at 202-225-7690.

Sincerely,

Anna Eshoo
Chairwoman

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March 23, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

As you know, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) is highly concerned about our nation's cyber security. In particular, we would like to discuss your authorities as Director of National Intelligence (DNI) to improve the security of Intelligence Community (IC) information systems.

In the unclassified report last May on the SSCI's Fiscal Year 2009 Intelligence Authorization Act, we expressed interest in learning more about "which U.S. information security standards apply to which IC information systems; the specific roles and responsibilities of the DNI for IC information security under relevant legislation, executive orders, and current practices; and the important roles and responsibilities for IC information security leadership that are not currently held by the DNI."

We invite you to suggest specific clarifications, changes, and additions to your cybersecurity authorities for our consideration for possible inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2010 Intelligence Authorization Act. We ask that your staff work with the SSCI staff Cyber Study Group on this issue as you develop your recommendations and we suggest that you submit those recommendations to the SSCI as part of your submission of requested legislative authorities for the Fiscal Year 2010 Act.

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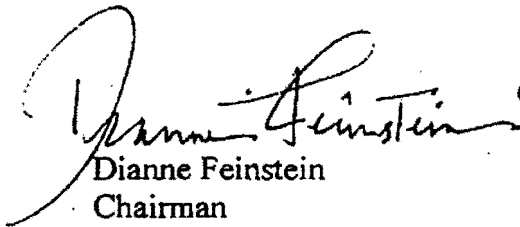
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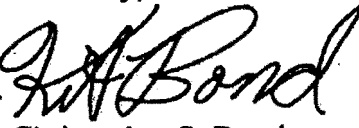
We look forward to your response. If you have any questions, please have
your staff contact Dr. Sameer Bhalotra, of the Intelligence Committee staff, at

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Sincerely,


Dianne Feinstein
Chairman


Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

P.S. The question is, do you
have sufficient authority
to do what needs to be
done? D.F.

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

The Honorable Rush Holt
House Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

JUN 11 2009

Dear Representative Holt:

Thank you for speaking at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence Industry Symposium on May 18, 2009. The feedback we received from several of the attendees was that your remarks were both insightful and candid. We sincerely appreciate your thoughts on the future of the Intelligence Community (IC) and the IC Industry Partner Workforce and the need to establish a long-term commitment to our national scientific and mathematics capabilities.

Again, thank you for sharing your time and perspectives at this important gathering of government and industry leaders.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair



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Honorable Dennis C. Blair
 Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair,

On February 25, 2009, my Committee received a briefing from the Director of the National Center for Medical Intelligence and I am concerned about the revelation that, "coordination of medical intelligence and domestic health information is not the sole responsibility of one agency or individual, but the collaborative effort of partners at federal, state, and local levels." Without a single individual who can be held accountable for overseeing the coordination of domestic and international medical intelligence, the United States increases its risk of having valuable information not shared because of the current bureaucratic structural flaws in our national security system. Certain classified medical intelligence information could be invaluable to Americans if a natural pandemic begins spreading across the globe or if a foreign country is preparing a biological attack on the United States.

After reflecting further on the briefing, it even appears that we do not have a contingency plan to implement in the event the Intelligence Community does acquire valuable, timely medical information. Please examine the intersection between domestic and international intelligence which exists across many national security sectors, giving special consideration to the question, "does the United States need a single individual who is responsible for ensuring proper coordination is taking place between all of our different medical collection elements?" I believe a single coordinator who is knowledgeable about all civil liberty concerns, intelligence information sharing challenges, and medical processes makes sense as the United States prepares itself for new and evolved 21st century threats.

Sincerely,

John P. Murtha
 Chairman
 Defense Subcommittee

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

JUN 12 2009

The Honorable Ike Skelton
Chairman
House Armed Services Committee
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Skelton:

Thank you for your letter of March 20, 2009 regarding the conversion of certain Department of Defense civilians to the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System (DCIPS).

Deputy Secretary Lynn is responding separately to your letter with an updated DCIPS implementation schedule. However, I wanted to acknowledge your continuing concerns and personally assure you of my commitment to do everything we can to address them. DCIPS is an integral part of a broader effort to introduce performance-based pay throughout the entire Intelligence Community (IC), and I believe that effort has the potential to be a real "game changer" in the IC's ongoing transformation. That said, I also know that we both want pay-for-performance to be credible, transparent, merit-based, and above all, free from any unlawful discrimination, implicit bias, or adverse impact on minorities, women, persons with disabilities, or employees with heritage backgrounds.

We have made a substantial investment in "up front" and ongoing training for our employees, supervisors, human resources professionals, and especially those management officials who will make performance pay decisions. Per your guidance, that training places a particular emphasis on avoiding unlawful discrimination, implicit bias, and adverse impact. We have also provided procedural protections that are intended to directly respond to other concerns voiced by our employees, and by your Committee. For example, we prohibit performance rating "quotas" and also forbid those management officials who will make pay decisions from changing or manipulating individual performance ratings in any way.

Further, we have tried to take some of the uncertainty out of the performance pay process itself. Thus, every employee who receives a performance rating of "Successful" or higher will receive the equivalent of the annual government-wide and locality pay increase. In addition, employees at the "Successful" level or higher will also be eligible for additional performance-based salary increases (largely driven by a mathematical formula). Finally, we have established four separate layers of oversight, with performance rating and pay results reviewed by agency-level Performance Review Authorities; the IC Chief Human Capital Officers Council; my Office of IC Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity, which will conduct its own independent annual assessment; and the IC Deputies Executive Committee.

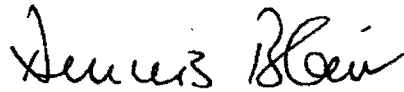
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Mr. Chairman, we both want an IC workforce that is second to none – highly motivated, focused on results, technically unrivaled, and as diverse as the peoples and cultures that we must understand. I believe that the NICCP is one of the keys to achieving that goal, and I look forward to working with you and your Committee to make it a reality. We will also continue to keep your Committee, and its Senate counterpart, fully informed on the results of our reviews as well as any changes we decide to make as a result of those reviews.

Sincerely,

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Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Silvestre Reyes

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

JUN 12 2009

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Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
U.S. House of Representatives
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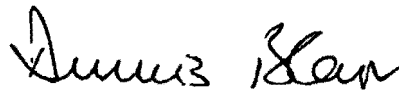
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July 1, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
United States Senate
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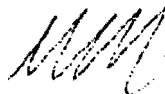
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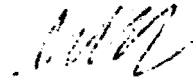
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The Honorable Barbara A. Mikulski
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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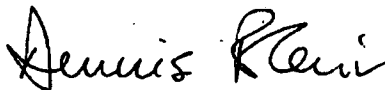
We would like to invite you to be our keynote speaker at the third annual Office of the Director of National Intelligence Industry Symposium to be held on 18-19 May 2009, at the Heritage Conference Center in Chantilly, Virginia. The objective of the symposium is to strengthen Intelligence Community (IC) capabilities by building a more collaborative partnership with Industry.

The attendees are Industry and IC leaders who are interested in hearing your perspective on the strategic issues facing the IC, enhancing intelligence capabilities by strengthening relationships with small business entities, and the imperatives for investment in research and development. We will accommodate your schedule either day between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm.

The IC requires intelligence solutions of mounting complexity, sensitivity, and urgency, many of which exist only in the private sector. By emphasizing the sense of being a part of a large integrated intelligence enterprise and articulating clear intelligence priorities based on budgetary realities, we expect the symposium to foster the unique partnership between the IC and the private sector that is necessary to deliver these critical solutions.

We hope your busy schedule will permit your participation. If you have any questions, please contact, Ms. Kathleen Turner, Director of Legislative Affairs, who can be reached at (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

March 24, 2009

The Honorable Claire McCaskill
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator McCaskill:

(U) The Director of National Intelligence, Dennis C. Blair, appreciated the opportunity to testify before the Committee on Armed Services on March 10 on the worldwide threat assessment. He asked me to convey his continued appreciation to you and the Committee for your support of the Intelligence Community and our Armed Forces.

(U) During the hearing, you asked Director Blair about the Visa Waiver Program (VWP) as it relates to disaffected Pakistanis and their ability to travel to the United States. We have checked with our colleagues at the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and have received an updated overview of the VWP dated March 16, 2009 (copy attached). There are currently 34 countries which have been deemed eligible for this program and the list does not include Pakistan.

(U) The Secure Travel and Counterterrorism Partnership Act of 2007 expresses the Sense of Congress that visa-free travel privileges to the United States should be extended "to nationals of foreign countries that are partners in the war on terrorism." This Act also amended the Immigration and Nationality Act to provide discretionary VWP expansion authorities to the Secretary of Homeland Security, in addition to providing responsibility to the Director of National Intelligence to provide notification to the Secretary of threats from countries participating in the VWP. Upon receiving such notification, the Secretary, in consultation with the Secretary of State, may suspend a country's participation in the VWP.

(U) We are advised by DHS that the visa refusal rate for Pakistan for Fiscal Year 2008 was 46.3%, which is 15 times the maximum rate allowed for VWP participation. As such, DHS expects that Pakistani citizens will continue to require visas in order to travel to the United States for the foreseeable future.

(U) If you require additional information on the VWP, we recommend you contact the DHS Office of Legislative Affairs at (202) 447-5890.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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cc: The Honorable Carl Levin
The Honorable John McCain

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The Honorable Peter King
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

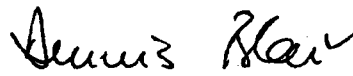
Dear Representative King:

On behalf of the men and women of the Intelligence Community, I wish to extend my congratulations on your appointment to the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. Your work with the Intelligence Community in your role as Ranking Member of the Homeland Security Committee has distinguished you as a sophisticated consumer of intelligence and strong supporter of counterterrorism, intelligence reform, and information sharing.

Your experience and careful oversight will be most welcome. I look forward to continuing our close collaboration, especially as we engage the Committee on its FY 2010 Intelligence Authorization bill.

Thank you in advance for your continued support for the work of our intelligence professionals during the 111th Congress.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

Enjoyed our meeting in my
office several weeks back -
look forward to working with you.



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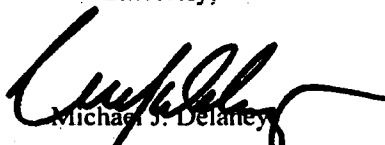
Dear Ms. Turner:

Attached you will find questions for the record resulting from the February 25, 2009, hearing on the Annual Threat Assessment held by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. This hearing featured testimony Director Dennis Blair.

Please provide the Committee with written answers to the attached questions to be entered into the record no later than Friday, April 24, 2008. If you have any questions, please contact [redacted] at (202) 225-7690.

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Sincerely,


Michael J. Delaney
Staff Director

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
GENERAL COUNSEL
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 7, 2009

The Honorable Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Mikulski:

I write to thank you again for your very kind words to me and my family at my confirmation hearing before the Select Committee on Intelligence on May 21. My family, and in particular Rebecca, was very touched by the personal touch and the warmth you showed us.

I am also grateful for your support in my confirmation as General Counsel of the Office of Director of National Intelligence. I look forward to working with you and the Committee on the important and challenging issues we face. Please let me know if there is anything I can assist you with.

Sincerely,



Robert S. Litt

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: Congressional Notification: 2008 Intelligence Community
Employee Climate Survey

Summary: The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) has released the results of the fourth annual Intelligence Community (IC) Employee Climate Survey. The 2008 results indicate that our employees continue to rank the IC among the very top Federal employers on four key workplace metrics: their overall job satisfaction; how they are recognized and rewarded (that is, our performance "culture"); the overall quality of their managers and leaders; and the IC's ability to recruit talent. In addition, the survey indicates that the vast majority of IC employees continue to like the work they do and realize how important it is to our Nation's security. We also saw marked increase in the value that our employees place on collaboration, but they still report impediments to doing so.

Background: While our 2008 results once again compare very favorably to the rest of the Federal government, our employees continue to want more effective leaders, as well as a stronger linkage between their performance and their pay and promotion prospects. The IC Climate Survey is based on the Federal Human Capital Survey, conducted biennially by the Office of Personnel Management; for the third year, we also included our own battery of seven items dealing with the state of collaboration and information sharing across the IC. The 58-question (plus demographic items) instrument was administered to IC personnel between 1 October 2008 and 30 November 2008, with the number of respondents about the same as in 2007. All 17 IC agencies and elements participated.

According to our 2008 results, the IC remains an "employer of choice" amongst its employees, especially when compared to other Federal agencies; in this regard, average IC results exceed the Federal average on 37 of 46 common measures. However, as noted, a strong majority of employees still remain concerned about performance management; in our view, not enough of them believe their pay checks and promotions are based on their performance, nor do they believe that we are doing enough to hold poor performers accountable. Further, while our employees rate their immediate managers highly (for example, a very high percentage of them say that their supervisors support their efforts to balance the demands of work and family), they also clearly expect more from their senior leaders. So do we.

The IC has a number of long-term human capital initiatives designed to sustain the high morale of our workforce, as well as to address the improvement areas revealed by the survey. For example, in order to strengthen our performance management systems, the DNI established a rigorous new performance appraisal policy which took effect on October 1, 2008; that policy requires every IC civilian to be evaluated on what they accomplish, as well as on six "core" IC performance elements – including such mission-critical behaviors as collaboration and critical thinking. We implemented a similar policy covering senior IC civilian employees, including a process for them to receive 360° developmental feedback this past year. We also issued a series

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of IC directives that, taken together, establish the National Intelligence Civilian Compensation Program (NICCP); the NICCP will strengthen the linkage between individual performance and pay. And to ensure that our future leaders are prepared to sustain a new IC "culture of collaboration," we continue to forge ahead with the groundbreaking civilian joint duty program, with thousands of employees currently on joint duty rotational assignments to other IC agencies and elements, combatant commands, etc.

Next Steps: Although individual agency results are classified, the DNI has instructed agency heads to publicize their individual survey results internally to their employees, and to develop and execute action plans to address deficiencies. Aggregate IC results are attached and will be released to the public and posted on the DNI's unclassified Web site. We are available to brief the Committees on the survey. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs, at

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Kathleen Turner
Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

March 30, 2009
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July 17, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

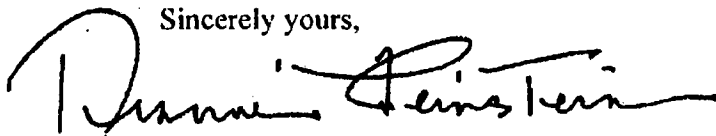
As you continue to work with the White House to identify a nominee for the position of Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence (PDDNI), I urge you to consider Congresswoman Jane Harman.

As a long-time member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, including four years as Ranking Member, and the current Chairman of the House Homeland Security Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment, Congresswoman Harman has significant intelligence expertise and is well versed in all major issues facing the Intelligence Community. I have known Jane for many years and have always found her to have full dedication to the national security mission and to be fully loyal. She is also a shrewd and tough negotiator and demands excellence from federal officials.

Representative Harman is also a strong supporter of an effective and empowered DNI while being well-regarded and respected by the CIA. I believe that her nomination to the PDDNI position would both cement the authority of the DNI and help settle long-standing arguments with the Agency.

As importantly, Congresswoman Harman can both serve as an able deputy to you and be sufficiently strong to be an effective intelligence leader without re-creating the frictions that existed between the former DNI and his principal deputy. While it should not be a top consideration when selecting a nominee for such an important position, I also believe that Rep. Harman could be quickly and successfully confirmed by the Senate.

Sincerely yours,



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE FOR ANALYSIS
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

The Honorable John F. Kerry
Chairman
Foreign Relations Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Kerry:

The purpose of this letter is to provide additional information on the International Business Practices Advisory Panel (IBPAP) dinner that will be hosted by the National Intelligence Council (NIC) on May 20, 2009 from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. at the Central Intelligence Agency. We would be honored if you could give brief remarks on your perspective of national security reviews by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the US (CFIUS).

The IBPAP, which meets on a quarterly basis, was created in 2006 to support the NIC's CFIUS Support group. The IBPAP comprises ten private sector experts who represent many facets of senior international business thought, development and practice. The IBPAP has been instrumental in expanding the NIC's understanding of foreign direct investment (FDI) and its nexus with national security. These experts help the NIC, and by extension CFIUS, identify and analyze trends in FDI and possible implications for national security.

The discussion at this dinner will be unclassified and not-for-attribution; no members of the media will be present. Attendees will include principals or their designees from each of the CFIUS agencies, as well as select senior representatives from the Office of the Director of National Intelligence. We will be in contact with your staff regarding specific details and will provide additional support and information. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact the Director of Legislative Affairs, Ms. Kathleen Turner, at [REDACTED] (b)(3)

Thank you for your support to the Intelligence Community.

Sincerely,



Peter Lavoy

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March 31, 2009

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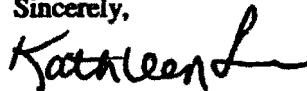
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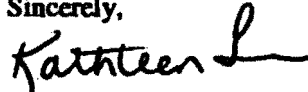
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Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
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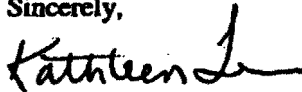
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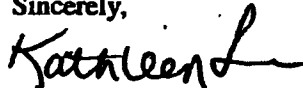
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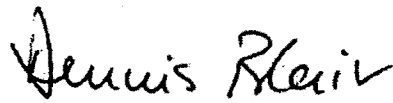
The Honorable Russell D. Feingold
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feingold:

Thank you for your July 17, 2009 letter regarding notification requirements to the Congressional intelligence oversight committees. In my discussion with the Washington Post, I never offered a legal judgment about whether the CIA was required to brief the Congressional oversight committees on this specific program; I merely indicated that whether a particular matter requires notification to the Congress often involves the exercise of judgment. My view is the following: If there are questions about whether the Congress should be notified, we err on the side of working with and notifying the Congress, and I believe that Director Panetta did the right thing in notifying the intelligence oversight committees of this program within 24 hours of learning of it. We view the Congress as a partner.

I appreciate your concerns about these important issues and share your desire to improve the transparency and openness between the Intelligence Community and the Congress.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond



29 July

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Dear Chairman Feinstein -

Thanks for your letter
recommending Jane Harman as
my Principal Deputy. I am a
big fan of Jane's, but have
chosen another candidate with
the skill set we need right now.
I look forward to Jane Harman's
counsel on many important issues -
Sincerely

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

April 1, 2009

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
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Permanent Select Committee
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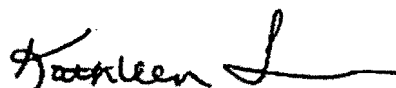
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The Business Transformation Office partnered with the IC Chief Information Officer and with the Department of Defense's Business Transformation Agency in the development of this Framework. In addition, this document has been coordinated with the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and is in compliance with OMB's Federal Enterprise Architecture standards.

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Director of Legislative Affairs

Enclosure: BEA Framework

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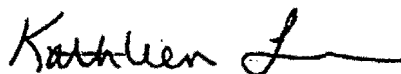
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April 1, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

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If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me on

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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April 2, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
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Washington, D.C. 200511

Dear Director Blair:

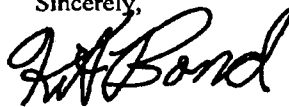
Last week I read with great interest the press coverage of President Obama's new strategy on Afghanistan and Pakistan in the *Washington Post* and *Economist*. Especially interesting were the articles that cited you as having opined that two-thirds to three-fourths of insurgents have local grievances and can be mollified by the government, while the other one-fourth to one-third are followers of Mullah Omar.

While I agree that there may be some combatants who are likely to be "day-fighters," this is the first time that I have heard that we have such fidelity on the numbers and motivation of anti-coalition militants in Afghanistan. I am very interested to hear how much we know about the militants in different parts of the country, what motivates them, and what would turn them away from the insurgency. Could you please provide the Committee a copy of the analysis or analyses from which you gleaned this information?

I would also like to know what the Intelligence Community is doing specifically to support the President's plan. Now that we have such specific information, I assume we will deploy collection platforms and missions that will specifically target information to aid in the reconciliation process. I would appreciate your written response not later than 30 April, 2009.

If you have any questions, please have your staff contact Louis Tucker, Minority Staff Director, at (202) 224-1700.

Sincerely,



Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

Anna G. Eshoo
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July 31, 2009

Ms. Priscilla Guthrie, Chief Information Officer
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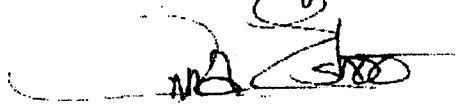
Dear Ms. Guthrie,

Thank you for briefing the Subcommittee on information sharing in the Intelligence Community. Despite having been in your position for only a few weeks, you were able to brief the Subcommittee clearly on many of the complexities involved in enabling analysts to make use of all available information.

I recognize that the Intelligence Community's capacity to share information is far from where it needs to be. There are major technical challenges, but the cultural and bureaucratic obstacles are at least as great. Whatever the causes of delay so far, what is certain is that our country's safety depends on their being overcome quickly. Our Subcommittee will continue to monitor progress in achieving information sharing across the Intelligence Community.

Your work on this is very important and I thank you for your service to our nation.

Sincerely, *and gratefully,*


Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress

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The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Director Blair,

Thank you for the testimony you provided on March 4th at the hearing to the House Appropriations Defense Subcommittee. I appreciate the great leadership you provide as the Director of National Intelligence including your collaboration and coordination with the intelligence agencies. I have had the pleasure of observing first hand the innovative applied research being done at the Cyber Security Research Institute (CSRI) at Armstrong Atlantic State University (AASU) in Savannah, Georgia.

CSRI has developed customized training programs on steganographic tools and the other covert channel communications for Special Operations Command (SOCOM) and the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center. Through their partner Factor² Tech, LLC, CSRI is conducting research and development on a process known as Tersus that effectively eliminates an adversary's ability to transmit or receive steganographically hidden digital payloads. This work is currently focused on adapting and integrating Tersus to meet a number of critical needs:

- For information assurance (IA) Tersus is being modified to assure secure communications within an existing network and to securely store data.
- For covert operations Tersus is being adapted to "normalize" steganographic carrier files to bypass counterdetection using advanced statistical analysis.
- For offensive capabilities this approach is being used to develop a stealth delivery system for weaponized digital payloads to bypass an adversary's network defenses before executing.

SOCOM and CSRI are currently collaborating to develop devices for military applications for future information operations exercises.

Shoring up our nation's information infrastructure and staying ahead of those who are developing malicious capabilities, demands that we fully employ institutions like CSRI to continuously develop solutions with systems like Tersus. I am confident that a partnership with CSRI at Armstrong Atlantic State University will yield great returns for nation's cybersecurity.

Sincerely,

Jack Kingston
Member of Congress

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Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C.

September 9, 2009

Dear Director Blair:

Congress will be called upon to make important decisions on the war in Afghanistan, whether there is a realistic prospect of succeeding there, and the importance of Afghanistan in stopping al Qaeda from again attacking the United States. In a related matter, in evaluating foreign aid to Pakistan, Congress needs to know whether Pakistan could be persuaded to aid us in fighting the Taliban. In retrospect, important judgments were made on Iraq without sufficient accurate, factual information. I write to you, the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense, and the Director of the CIA (copies enclosed) to obtain that information.

- How important is Afghanistan to al Qaeda as a base for another attack on the U.S.?
- Does al Qaeda have other bases which would be sufficient for them to plan and facilitate another attack on the United States?
- What other areas are open to al Qaeda as potential bases for another attack on the United States?
- What does U.S. intelligence show as to any possible plans by al Qaeda to attack the United States or anyone else?
- What does U.S. intelligence show as to whether India poses a real threat to attack Pakistan?
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Honorable Dennis C. Blair

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September 9, 2009

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What does U.S. intelligence show on the allegations that President Karzai and his associates acted fraudulently in the recent presidential elections?

- What does U.S. intelligence show on the allegations that President Karzai and his associates are involved in illegal narcotics activity?

I am writing an identical letter to Director of the Central Intelligence Agency Leon Panetta.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. I am available to meet with you or your designee for a briefing on these questions.

Sincerely,



Arlen Specter

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cc: Secretary Hillary Rodham Clinton
Secretary Robert M. Gates
Director Leon Panetta

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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APR 08 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairman:

Thank you for your letter of March 9, 2009 and forwarding the Genocide Prevention Task Force Report and letter from Co-Chairs Albright and Cohen. The Intelligence Community shares your commitment to genocide prevention and we appreciate your offer to work with us on this critical issue. Since the Task Force Report did not fully capture all we are doing with regard to genocide early warning, analysis, and reporting, we wanted to highlight the most important activities for you.

- The National Intelligence Officer for Warning (NIO/W) has overall responsibility for genocide warning and publishes the *Atrocities Watchlist* highlighting countries at risk of widespread or systematic atrocities. NIO/W also produces the *Instability Watchlist* of countries at risk of serious political instability (which is always a precondition for genocide).
- The Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) Crime and Narcotics Center (CNC) produces the monthly *War Crimes, Atrocities, and Human Rights Monitor*, which reports on human rights abuses and war crimes worldwide. CNC is also the principal drafter for the *Atrocities Watchlist*.
- CIA's Office of Transnational Issues (OTT) maintains and produces analysis based on two early warning models that cover genocide and mass killings. These models—as well as a monthly data collection effort on low-level atrocities committed worldwide—support CIA and other community analysis and research on genocide-related topics. OTT's Political Instability Task Force (PITF) project systematically engages outside scholars and experts to advance community research, analysis, and modeling capacity on these issues.
- The War Crimes, Atrocities, and Democracy Division in the State Department's Bureau of Intelligence and Research (INR) produces all-source intelligence on genocide-related topics. INR also cosponsors (with CIA) an annual Genocide Prevention Forum that brings together U.S. and foreign government intelligence and policy officials, expert scholars, and several Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO) to discuss genocide-related legal, warning, and responsibility-to-protect issues.

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein

- The Special Assistant to the Director of the CIA for War Crimes and Related Issues chairs the Human Rights and War Crimes Topic under the National Intelligence Priorities Framework (NIPF). The goal of that effort is to focus Intelligence Community resources on "at risk" countries to ensure we provide indications and warning of preparations to commit atrocities.

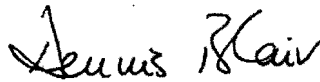
The Task Force report you forwarded includes an excellent chapter on Early Warning that outlines the critical role played by intelligence in genocide prevention, highlights key challenges with respect to collecting and reporting on genocide risks, and makes a number of important recommendations for improving our intelligence capacity. We take those recommendations very seriously and are planning a number of related initiatives.

- The National Intelligence Council (NIC) will prepare, this year, a coordinated national intelligence product addressing countries at risk of genocide in the next three-to-five years. This product will comprise key findings and warnings and a series of country-focused items (to include key indicators).
- NIO/W will work with training and education officials throughout the national Intelligence Community to develop genocide-related training modules for inclusion in warning and other basic analytic courses.
- The NIC will collaborate with the Global Futures Forum (at INR) to organize a major international conference of government, academic, think tank, NGO, and other experts to explore the development of an early warning network focused on identifying and reporting on emerging risks of instability, humanitarian crises, and atrocities.
- My annual threat testimony to Congress will, in the future, highlight countries at risk of genocide and mass atrocities.

We look forward to working with the Committee on all of these issues and offer to have members of our staff brief you, other members, or Committee staff on our efforts. Please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs, if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,



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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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April 13, 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman:

Thank you for recommending [redacted] to us with his Dari, Farsi, and Pashto language capabilities. There is no doubt that we need these skills within the Intelligence Community. I also know of the sense of patriotism and service that the heritage communities feel, and have seen first-hand how much they want to help America as a tribute to what America has done for them. (b)(6)

I will be in contact shortly with [redacted]. We will work with him to identify opportunities that would use his talents. There is no shortage of demand for these language skills and there should be a variety of opportunities for him in this area, in Monterey, and abroad. (b)(6)

Thank you again for your recommendation. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs on [redacted]. (b)(3)

Sincerely,

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Director, Foreign Language
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The Honorable John P. Murtha
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Committee on Appropriations
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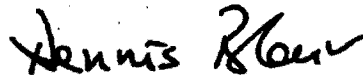
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The NIC is very close to selecting a highly-qualified Senior Officer to serve as Chief Medical Intelligence Officer. The Chief Medical Intelligence Officer will be the central coordinating point for the Defense Department's National Center for Medical Intelligence, the Central Intelligence Agency, the Department of Homeland Security/Intelligence and Analysis Directorate, and other IC elements for all intelligence issues related to global health concerns.

Thank you for raising this issue. I appreciate your interest and support for the men and women of the IC.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

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WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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Dennis C. Blair



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*Anna G. Eshoo
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September 16, 2009

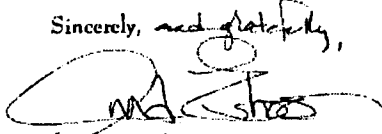
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

Thank you for sending me a copy of the unclassified version of the recently updated National Intelligence Strategy, which I received today. I appreciate all the work that you and your staff have done in producing the strategy and in quickly releasing an unclassified version. I'm encouraged to see that you share my sentiment that public examination of such documents is important to our democratic principles and national security.

Thanks also for sending along a copy of your remarks to the Commonwealth Club in San Francisco. I enjoyed reading it and appreciate your good words about those of us from the Bay Area that serve on HPSCI and SSCI.

Sincerely, *and gratefully,*


Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress

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April 16, 2009

Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

I am writing to request the testimony of you or your designee before the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on Thursday, April 30, 2009, at 10:00 a.m. in room 2154 Rayburn House Office Building. The Committee is holding a hearing to consider H.R. 1507, "The Whistleblower Protection Enhancement Act of 2009."

H.R. 1507 is similar to H.R. 985, a bill reported by the Committee and passed by the House of Representatives in the 110th Congress. The Committee will receive testimony from representatives of the Administration, Federal employees, and stakeholder organizations to better inform our consideration of this legislation. Your testimony should provide the views of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence on H.R. 1507, as well as any suggestions you may have for improvements to the bill.

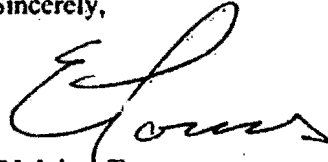
You may submit written testimony for the record of any reasonable length. In addition to your written testimony, you should be prepared to provide a five minute opening statement and answer questions posed by Members of the Committee. Information for witnesses appearing before the Committee is contained in the attached Witness Information Sheet. In particular, please note the procedures for submitting written testimony at least two business days prior to the hearing.

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Please contact the Committee by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, April 24, 2009, to confirm your attendance. Should you have any questions, please contact Adam Miles of the Committee staff at (202) 225-5051.

Sincerely,

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Edolphus Towns
Chairman

Attachment

cc: The Honorable Darrell Issa
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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April 16, 2009

Mr. Edward Maguire
Acting Inspector General
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Mr. Maguire:

In his inaugural address, President Obama stated "[t]hose of us who manage the public's dollars will be held to account – to spend wisely, reform bad habits, and do our business in the light of day . . ." The Committee welcomes the President's call for accountability and transparency. We look forward to partnering with the new Administration and your office to proactively identify and excise waste, fraud and abuse in the operations of the federal government. Working together will allow us to make the government more efficient and to ensure an improved return on investment for the taxpayers.

Early this year, former Chairman Henry A. Waxman and current Chairman Edolphus Towns released a report identifying opportunities for the taxpayers to "save almost \$26 billion" by implementing thousands of open inspector general (IG) recommendations.¹ We would like to better understand how your office plans to address these open recommendations.

Your office has a mandate to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse. Our Committee is obligated to ensure your office has sufficient resources to fulfill that mandate. We will

¹ Majority Staff, H. Comm. On Oversight and Gov't Reform, 110th Cong., "Inspectors General: Implementing Thousands of Open Recommendations Could Save Taxpayers Almost \$26 Billion" (Jan. 5, 2009).

Mr. Edward Maguire
April 16, 2009
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also seek to ensure that offices of IGs throughout the government remain neutral watchdogs and are not subject to partisan and political pressure.

We look forward to working with your office during these opening months of the new Administration. As part of a collaborative effort, we request you provide the Committee with a list identifying each open recommendation, the estimated monetary benefit associated with each recommendation, and an estimate of how quickly each recommendation can be implemented. The Committee majority's report, "Inspectors General: Implementing Thousands of Open Recommendations Could Save Taxpayers Almost \$26 Billion," describes taxpayer savings that are significant and immediately accessible. If this is the case, we appeal to you to support the effort to realize these savings.

Please reply by May 1, 2009. We thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Rep. Darrell Issa
Ranking Member

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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September 17, 2009

The Honorable Mike Rogers
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Rogers:

(U) Thank you for your interest in IARPA and our mission to invest in cutting-edge research programs that have the potential to provide our country with an overwhelming intelligence advantage over future adversaries.

(U) The President and CEO of the company that you identified in your recent letter to me, Imagination Engines Inc. (IEI), has already engaged in dialogue with one of our Program Managers who is starting a new program in the area of cognitive neuroscience. Given IEI's current work, it is likely that they will have an interest in proposing to an anticipated new IARPA solicitation in this area. IARPA regularly updates its website, www.iarpa.gov, with our latest solicitations and related information so that companies such as IEI will have every opportunity to learn about and participate in our research programs.

(U) Thank you again for your support, and please let me know if I can answer any other questions you might have.

Sincerely,



Dr. Lisa J. Porter
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September 18, 2009

Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Admiral Blair,

It has now been one week since we met to discuss the new satellite program you expressed such strong support of on Friday, September the 11th. I have not received a reply to the questions I ask of you and request you take the time to reply immediately.

Again please provide a chronology of events leading up to the huge cost overruns and eventual cancellation at a cost of billions to the taxpayer of the Future Imagery Architecture program and other programs associated with it. Who was held responsible and what actions were taken to account for this malfeasance?

What plan do you have to ensure that the new satellite system does not suffer the same outrageous cost overruns of previous satellite programs?

What is the nature of the contract already awarded to Lockheed Martin? Is it cost-plus or fixed-price?

I anticipate your full and timely reply.

Sincerely,



John S. McCain
Ranking Member

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your March 12, 2009 letter seeking comment on S. 385, the *Intelligence Community Audit Act of 2009*.

We recognize that this bill seeks to strengthen congressional oversight of the Intelligence Community. In first introducing S.385 in the 109th Congress, Senator Akaka noted that this bill is in keeping with legislation "to ensure more effective oversight of the [Intelligence Community]." 2006 *Cong. Rec.* at S10463 (Sept. 28, 2006). This is a goal that we share.

As we have discussed, I believe that oversight of the Intelligence Community by the intelligence committees plays a critical role in making sure we are fulfilling our responsibilities with regard to keeping our Nation safe while ensuring privacy and civil liberties protections. This oversight, precisely because it is conducted by the committees through a cadre of knowledgeable and experienced staff, is a valuable contribution to improving the quality of intelligence and the effective, efficient operation of the Intelligence Community. This close and full communication is necessary and beneficial, and I am fully committed to responding to intelligence committee requests in a timely manner to ensure that the intelligence committees have the information necessary to perform their vital oversight function.

I would note that the Intelligence Community has worked together with GAO on hundreds of their reviews ranging from personnel security clearance reform, to U.S.-Saudi Counter Terrorism and Terrorism Financing, to an examination of the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States. We will continue working cooperatively with GAO on such reviews to improve federal government performance. However, the question presented by S. 385 is whether GAO should conduct intelligence oversight. In your letter, you ask me to look at areas where "there are selected oversight subjects regarding which the [GAO] has expertise and for which assistance could be provided by agreement between the IC and GAO in a manner consistent with national security."

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond

With respect to the Intelligence Community, that oversight responsibility lies with the intelligence oversight committees. This leads me to the conclusion that there is no clear necessity or benefit from expanding GAO's scope of authority to the Intelligence Community.

We want to ensure that the underlying goal of S. 385, effective Intelligence Community oversight, is met, but I do not believe that this bill is necessary or appropriate to meet that goal. I find the oversight by the intelligence committees indispensable when it is conducted by the intelligence committees' skilled, professional staffs who have detailed knowledge of intelligence programs, experience with highly sensitive, classified information, and an understanding of intelligence operational concerns. Because highly sensitive, classified information and sources and methods are frequently and indistinguishably intertwined with issues such as knowledge management, information sharing, and strategic planning, I believe the intelligence committees are best able to review such activities within the Intelligence Community. Moreover, I am concerned S. 385 could diminish the ability of the intelligence committees to provide effective oversight. For example, S. 385 would authorize the Comptroller General to carry on self-initiated work and other work beyond that directed by intelligence committees. Accordingly, I am also concerned that by creating another source of tasking, S. 385 would negatively impact the ability of the Intelligence Community to respond to requests from the intelligence committees in a timely manner, within available resources.

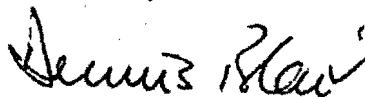
I believe the fundamental question that should be addressed is how the Intelligence Community can better help the intelligence committees strengthen their oversight activities. To that end, any discussion must include both the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence and the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. As we continue this discussion, it is important to make clear that you have my assurance that the Intelligence Community is fully committed to providing the intelligence oversight committees the information they need to enhance their oversight activities. I welcome the opportunity to discuss with you other ways to enhance such oversight activities. If you ever feel that information you need is not being provided to you, I encourage you to reach out to me directly.

Thank you again for your letter and the opportunity to share my views on S. 385. The Office of Management and Budget has advised us that, from the perspective of the Administration's program, there is no objection to submission of this letter. I look forward to our continued discussion of this very important topic. If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me or my Director of Legislative Affairs, Kathleen Turner, who can be reached on

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

**The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond**

**cc: The Honorable Daniel K. Akaka
The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
The Honorable Peter Hoeksra
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
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Dear Madam Chairman:

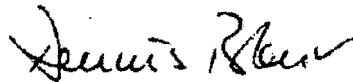
Thank you for your August 24, 2009 letter expressing your increasing concern with the growing number of anonymous leaks of classified information. I share your concern. Disclosure of classified information, including "leaks" to the media, can compromise sensitive sources and methods; allow our adversaries to learn about, deny, counteract, and deceive our intelligence collection methods; and lead to the loss of critical capabilities, resources, and even lives. Senior intelligence leaders recently received a disturbing briefing on the impact that specific leaks of classified information have had on sources and methods, that I will share at my next meeting with the committee.

As partners in this effort, I will work with you to address this urgent concern. I recognize that the solution to this problem must be found in the Executive Branch. In addition to the pursuit of a criminal investigation and possible prosecution, all agencies and elements in the Intelligence Community have administrative tools available to deal with employees responsible for unauthorized disclosures, ranging from denial of future access to classified information, to dismissal. Criminal investigation will remain an available option both to deal with egregious cases and because most agency disciplinary actions cannot reach former employees.

I agree with you that it is imperative that the Intelligence Community and the Department of Justice have the tools to address this problem. I appreciate your invitation to discuss whether legislation is necessary to ensure that all of those tools are in place. It is important to recognize, too, that legislation can be both part of the solution and part of the problem. We must be careful that legislation not be enacted that could protect individuals who illegally disclose classified information or prevent the Executive Branch from using all appropriate tools at its disposal.

Thank you again for raising this very important issue. I look forward to working jointly with the committee to address this serious problem.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

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April 20, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

I would appreciate receiving an unclassified list of the dates, locations, and names of all members of Congress who attended briefings with respect to the use of enhanced interrogation techniques by the Central Intelligence Agency.

As you may know, Director Negroponte provided a similar, unclassified, list with respect to briefings on the Terrorist Surveillance Program at the request of then-Minority Leader Pelosi on May 17, 2006. I believe that the same notions of transparency and public disclosure that justified granting Ms. Pelosi's request and the release of Office of Legal Counsel memoranda last week favor the release of the briefing list in this instance as well.

I would appreciate it if this information could be provided immediately, but no later than close of business on April 21, 2009.

In addition, I would appreciate it if my staff could be briefed as soon as possible with respect to how several important issues were resolved by the Administration prior to the release of Office of Legal Counsel memoranda last week. As you know, my staff raised several critical intelligence oversight issues in a meeting last week, and your staff provided no substantive response. The Committee still has received no answers or even meaningful consultation on these important questions.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,


Pete Hockstra
Ranking Republican

cc: Director Panetta

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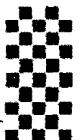
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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20511

The Honorable Rush D. Holt
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

APR 21 2009

Dear Representative Holt:

We would like to invite you to be the keynote speaker at the third annual Office of the Director of National Intelligence Industry Symposium to be held May 18-19, 2009, at the Heritage Conference Center in Chantilly, Virginia. The objective of the symposium is to strengthen Intelligence Community (IC) capabilities by building a more collaborative partnership with Industry.

The attendees are Industry and IC leaders who are interested in hearing your perspective on the strategic issues facing the IC, enhancing intelligence capabilities by strengthening relationships with small business entities, and the imperatives for investment in research and development. We will accommodate your schedule either day between 9:00 am and 6:00 pm.

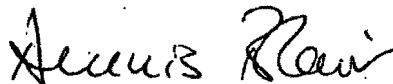
The IC requires intelligence solutions of mounting complexity, sensitivity, and urgency, many of which exist only in the private sector. By emphasizing the sense of being a part of a large integrated intelligence enterprise and articulating clear intelligence priorities based on budgetary realities, we expect the symposium to foster the unique partnership between the IC and the private sector that is necessary to deliver these critical solutions.

We hope your schedule will permit you to participate. If you have any questions, please contact, Ms. Kathleen Turner, Director of Legislative Affairs, who can be reached at

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair



Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House

September 22, 2009



Mr. Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

This month I travelled on a CODEL to Italy for the G8 Presiding Officers Meeting. I had the opportunity to meet with your officers there and wanted you to know their willingness to brief me on their activities was much appreciated.

best regards,

NANCY PELOSI
Speaker of the House

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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April 21, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
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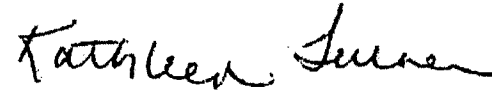
Dear Madam Speaker:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

- (i) Priscilla E. Guthrie was nominated to be the Associate Director of National Intelligence and Chief Information Officer on April 20, 2009.

The ODNI's contact for Vacancies Reform Act inquiries is [redacted] She can (b)(3)
be reached on [redacted] if you require further information.

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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October 1, 2009

Adm. Dennis C. Blair

Director of National Intelligence

Washington, DC 20511

Dear Adm. Blair:

Last week, the Obama Administration revealed the existence of a secret underground uranium enrichment facility located near Qom, Iran. According to official press guidance, "The U.S. has been carefully observing and analyzing this facility for several years... We and several other countries have been watching this site very carefully for some time, in particular given Iran's past track record of building clandestine nuclear facilities."

But earlier this year, you wrote in testimony to Congress, INR "[State Department Bureau of Intelligence and Research] shares the Intelligence Community's (IC's) assessment that Iran probably would use military-run covert facilities, rather than declared nuclear sites, to produce HEU [Highly-Enriched Uranium]. Outfitting a covert enrichment infrastructure could take years. The IC has no evidence that Iran has yet made the decision to produce highly-enriched uranium." In addition, a 2007 National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) judged "with high confidence that in fall 2003, Tehran halted its nuclear weapons program" including ending its "uranium enrichment-related work."

We are concerned by the apparent contradiction between the Administration's recent comments, your testimony and the 2007 NIE. Your suggestion that "outfitting a covert enrichment facility could take years" appears to contradict the Administration's assertion that "the U.S. has been carefully observing and analyzing" Iran's secret underground uranium enrichment facility "for several years."

We are left to question whether your testimony's omission of information was intentional or a result of poor coordination with the wider Intelligence Community. Therefore, we request a written explanation of your testimony to Congress and its contradictions regarding Iran's nuclear program.

Sincerely,

MARK STEVEN KIRK

Member of Congress

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Member of Congress

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April 22, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

The Honorable Leon E. Panetta
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Director Blair and Director Panetta,

(U) In light of recent disclosures related to the CIA detention and interrogation program, particularly the declassification of memoranda of the Department of Justice Office of Legal Council, I hereby request the declassification, to the greatest extent possible, of the attached exchange of letters between myself and Director Hayden.

Sincerely,



Russell D. Feingold
UNITED STATES SENATOR

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The Honorable Mark S. Kirk
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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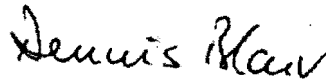
Dear Representative Kirk:

Thank you for your letter dated October 1, 2009 regarding U.S. Intelligence Community assessments related to Iran's nuclear program. I appreciate the opportunity to respond to your concern that the recently-disclosed efforts by Iran to build a uranium enrichment facility near Qom leads you to question my unclassified testimony to Congress earlier this year, and the declassified judgments of the 2007 National Intelligence Estimate entitled "Iran: Nuclear Intentions and Capabilities."

I want to assure you that the Intelligence Community has kept its oversight committees in the House and Senate informed on Iran nuclear matters through classified briefings and the sharing of classified information on a regular basis.

Since you wrote to me, I understand that my staff has provided you such a briefing. If you have additional concerns on this issue, please contact me.

Sincerely,


Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Jerry Lewis

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The Honorable Shelley Berkley
Committee on Foreign Affairs
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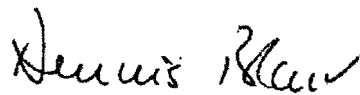
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Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Howard Berman

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SSCI #2009-4278

October 29, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

This letter is to inform you that the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) has tasked its Technical Advisory Group (TAG) to undertake two studies of science and technology issues that the Committee judges to be critical to the Intelligence Community (IC) mission and to the United States. The TAG studies are intended to support the Committee in preparing for the Fiscal Year 2011 authorization process and oversight activities. We request the assistance of the IC to ensure that the study groups have access to any information they need to accomplish the objectives of the studies.

The study group members are

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The first study on satellite architecture issues will be led by

[Redacted box] Mr. Ken Johnson of the Committee staff will relay specific objectives for this study to your staff through classified channels. The second study on cryptanalysis issues will be led by

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[Redacted box] Dr. Sameer Bhalotra of the Committee staff will relay specific objectives for this study to your staff through classified channels. When the studies are completed, the study group members will provide the SSCI with findings and recommendations for the way forward.

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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
October 29, 2009
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We appreciate the IC's cooperation and, in particular, we appreciate the efforts of the IC legislative affairs staffs to support TAG studies.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Dianne Feinstein and Christopher S. Bond. The signature of Dianne Feinstein is on the left, and the signature of Christopher S. Bond is on the right.

Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

April 23, 2009

The Honorable Wilson Livingood
Sergeant at Arms of the
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Livingood:

In furtherance of the Director of National Intelligence's (DNI's) statutory obligation to keep the Congress fully and currently informed on intelligence matters, the DNI's Office of Legislative Affairs (OLA) conducts daily business with the Congress at the Capitol and the Congressional office buildings.


During the second half of the 110th Congress OLA provided approximately 800 classified intelligence briefings dispersed amongst the House and Senate Leadership; the Intelligence Committees; as well as to the Committees on Appropriations, Armed Services, Foreign Affairs, Homeland Security and others. This reflects a 10-fold increase of the OLA congressional requirements since the standup of our office in 2005 and our initial request for Congressional badges.

To support the significant increase of our engagement with the Congress, we have expanded the size of our staff. We presently have two officers and one vacant position to be filled shortly that require badges. We would appreciate your approval for a total of three (3) additional badges to meet our office requirements.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of national intelligence activities. Our point of contact for Congressional badges is who can be reached at

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
DIRECTOR OF THE INTELLIGENCE STAFF
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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Select Committee on Intelligence
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Dear Madam Chairman:

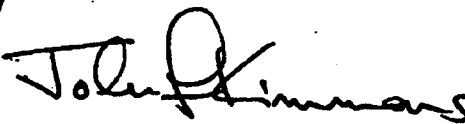
I fully support the temporary detail of [redacted] to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. The Committee's review of the Central Intelligence Agency's detention and interrogation program is an important endeavor, and [redacted] will be a valuable addition to your staff.

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We understand [redacted] reimbursable detail will conclude 30 days after the Committee's study and tasks are completed. We therefore propose a 12-month detail with the option to extend if necessary and agreed to by all parties.

[redacted] is aware he will be bound by the Senate's Code of Official Conduct and the Memorandum of Understanding that describes the terms and conditions of this detail.

Sincerely,

R/ 

John F. Kimmons
Lieutenant General, USA

cc: Vice Chairman Christopher S. Bond

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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

November 4, 2009

The Honorable John D. Bates
Presiding Judge
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court
Department of Justice Building
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
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The Honorable Bruce M. Selya
Presiding Judge
Foreign Intelligence Surveillance
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The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

The Honorable Eric Holder
Attorney General
United States Department of Justice
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Dear Judge Bates, Director Blair, Attorney General Holder, and Judge Selya:

Thank you for your thoughtful responses to our letter of October 29, 2008 requesting consideration of a regular process for reviewing, redacting and publishing key opinions of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and the Court of Review that rule on important matters of law. We are pleased to find agreement that such a process would benefit public confidence in both the Intelligence Community's use of Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA) authorities and the independent judicial review and oversight provided by the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Courts.

We believe that the process that you have proposed will meet the aims of our request regarding future opinions, but we would like to note that our request also envisioned a publication process that would include "both future opinions and those from the past several years." With this in mind, we are interested in how you intend to apply this new review process to decisions of the last several years that contain important rulings of law. We recognize that publishing redacted versions of individual past opinions is only one possibility among many, and that a public report of key interpretations of FISA over a span of years could be an appropriate option as well. In any case, we believe that it is of vital importance to both the present and future discourse and the historical understanding of these issues that the publication process include future opinions and those from recent years as well.

Thank you for your continued attention to this matter.



John D. Rockefeller IV
United States Senator

Sincerely,



Ron Wyden
United States Senator

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April 24, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

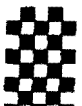
Following up on my letter of April 20, 2009, I am writing to reiterate my request for a full, complete, and correct list of the dates, locations, and names of all members of Congress who attended briefings with respect to the use of enhanced interrogation techniques by the Central Intelligence Agency, which I have not yet received. In addition, I am formally requesting copies of all Memoranda for the Record prepared memorializing the substance and attendees at any and all such briefings.

With respect to the list of Members briefed on Enhanced Interrogation Techniques, while I appreciate the interim response on April 22 I am concerned that the list provided is incomplete and inaccurate. It is less comprehensive and complete than other briefing lists that the CIA has previously provided to the Committee, and it also appears to contain errors. Moreover, since the documents already in the possession of the Committee clearly indicate that careful records were kept with respect to these briefings by the CIA, it is difficult to understand the delay in receiving a full and complete accounting. This information should be disclosed fully, accurately, and immediately, because the public record on this issue cannot be a selective one.

With respect to briefing memoranda, review of such documents already in the possession of the Committee clearly indicates that they provide a record of the attendees at each such briefing, as well as a very precise accounting of the substance of each briefing. I believe that these records will clear up any questions that may exist about precisely what information was provided to Members of Congress on these matters, as well as the degree of bipartisan consensus that existed with respect to the programs in question.

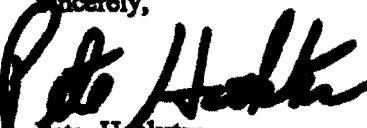
These documents should be provided immediately, and Congress is clearly entitled to records of its own briefings. In any event, however, it is imperative that you immediately gather any such materials in the possession of the Executive Branch and ensure that they are preserved. Serious questions would arise if any such briefing records were destroyed or unavailable for review by the Committee.

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Director Blair
April 24, 2009
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Thank you for your assistance in this important matter.

Sincerely,

Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Republican

cc: Director Panetta



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The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Leahy:

This letter presents the views of the Administration on the Specter-Schumer substitute amendment (HEN09B24) to S. 448, the "Free Flow of Information Act of 2009." This legislation is the result of a series of productive and cooperative discussions with the sponsors and supporters of the legislation. The Administration supports this substitute amendment and urges that no further amendments be adopted to this carefully crafted compromise.

We appreciate the critical role that the media plays in a free and democratic society. This legislation provides robust judicial protection for journalists' confidential sources, while also enabling the Government to take measures necessary to protect national security and enforce our criminal laws.

There are a number of changes from previous versions of this legislation that address concerns that the Administration has expressed.

In criminal investigations and prosecutions where the Government seeks to compel disclosure, Section 2 of S. 448 as introduced provided that a court would engage in an open-ended analysis weighing the interest in disclosure against the free flow of information. The Specter-Schumer substitute eliminates this open-ended analysis, and replaces it with a more balanced and appropriate process. First, it requires the Attorney General to certify that the request for compelled disclosure was made in a manner consistent with the guidelines in the U.S. Attorney's Manual (USAM). Second, reflecting the fact that the USAM already provides significant protections for the news media from subpoenas that might impair the newsgathering function, the Specter-Schumer substitute provides that when the court balances the interest in compelling disclosure against the interest in the free flow of information, the journalist bears the burden to establish by clear and convincing evidence that disclosure would be contrary to the public interest. (In addition to these two requirements, the substitute amendment retains a number of other elements of Section 2 of S. 448, including the requirements that the Government exhaust all reasonable alternative sources of the protected information, show there are reasonable grounds to believe a crime has occurred, and demonstrate reasonable grounds for believing that the information is essential to the investigation or prosecution.)

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Moreover, the Specter-Schumer amendment provides appropriate protection for national security. If disclosure of the information in question would materially assist the Government in preventing, mitigating, or identifying the perpetrator of an act of terrorism or other significant and articulable harm to national security, the Specter-Schumer amendment provides that the balancing test contained in Section 2 of the legislation would not apply and the court would be expected to compel production of the information. The Administration supports the provision in the substitute amendment giving courts the power to determine whether the harm at issue rises to the level of an act of terrorism or other significant and articulable harm to national security, and whether the information sought by the Government would in fact materially assist in preventing, mitigating, or identifying those responsible for such harm, while giving appropriate deference to specific factual submissions by the Government.

This same basic approach would apply in criminal investigations and prosecutions of allegedly unlawful disclosure of properly classified information, where the Government is seeking information to prevent or mitigate an act of terrorism or other significant and articulable harm to national security. If the Government establishes that the information it seeks would materially assist in preventing or mitigating such harm, under the substitute amendment it will face the same conditions and court review as in other national security cases. In other leak cases, the court would have an additional role, employing the balancing test described above for criminal investigations and prosecutions generally.

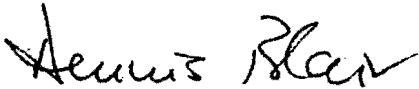
We also appreciate that the substitute addresses a number of other Administration concerns, including:

- permitting the Government to make its submissions in camera and ex parte where necessary;
- excluding from the bill's coverage authorities granted under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act;
- eliminating a provision that contemplates judicial review of individual classification decisions; and
- not requiring the Government to establish that the allegedly unlawful disclosure in question was made by someone who had "authorized access to such information."

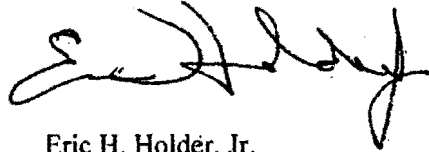
Finally, the definition of a "covered person" protected by this legislation has been much improved. First, the intent and actions necessary for a person to meet this definition are now clearly specified. Second, the definition now includes several important exclusions so that, for example, someone who is or is reasonably believed to be committing or attempting to commit the crime of terrorism or providing material support to a terrorist organization is not a "covered person." At the same time, this definition does not require a covered person to be a salaried employee of, or independent contractor to, a media organization. Over time, we expect that the courts will be able to distinguish persons entitled to the protections afforded by this statute from those who are not.

In conclusion, this legislation is a significant step forward from previous versions. The Administration supports this legislation, and the Office of Management and Budget has advised us that there is no objection to this letter from the perspective of the Administration's program.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence



Eric H. Holder, Jr.
Attorney General

cc: The Honorable Jeff Sessions

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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NOV 5 2009

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Reyes:

We cordially invite you to be the keynote speaker at the first Intelligence Community (IC) Wounded Warrior Career Fair to be held on November 17, 2009, at the National Reconnaissance Office headquarters in Chantilly, Virginia. The objective of the event is to provide wounded soldiers recuperating in the Washington D.C. area with internship and permanent employment opportunities within the IC. The event will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a warm welcome to the troops by senior IC leaders.

Over 100 troops are expected to attend the event, and they will most certainly benefit from your words of encouragement and recognition of the invaluable contributions that they can make to the U.S. intelligence enterprise. Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, James R. Clapper and the Director of the Intelligence Staff at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Lieutenant General John F. Kimmons will also be speaking at the event. A host of IC agencies will be attending and actively recruiting attendees to fill internship and permanent employment opportunities.

In the past, several initiatives across the IC have provided wounded soldiers with internship opportunities that have led in many cases to permanent employment. A new collaborative effort, led by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, has successfully expanded these initiatives across the IC, increasing opportunities and further paving the road to the future for America's Wounded Warriors.

We hope your schedule will permit you to participate in this worthwhile event. If you have any questions, please contact Ms. Kathleen Turner, Director of Legislative Affairs, at

Thank you.

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

Mr. Chairman -
this is a great event -
Thanks for agreeing to speak -
Denny

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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The Honorable Rush Holt
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Holt:

Thank you for your October 7, 2009 inquiry about the release of unclassified key judgments from National Intelligence Estimates (NIEs) on Afghanistan and Pakistan. As we discussed in our phone conversation on October 28th, I share your concern for ensuring that the American people have a clear and accurate understanding of our national security challenges around the world, particularly in areas where American lives are on the line. To help keep the American public informed about global issues, I deliver to Congress each year an unclassified version of the Worldwide Threat Assessment, and the National Intelligence Council (NIC) produces unclassified assessments, such as the Global Trends 2025, which are available on the DNI website. However, the public release of NIE key judgments on critical issues presents several serious concerns for our intelligence process, broader national security interests, and U.S. policymaking.

- To foster an atmosphere of open, comprehensive analytic collaboration in the production of NIEs, there should not be any presumption that key judgments will be declassified. There is both a real and perceived danger that analysts will adopt less bold approaches, or otherwise modify the way they characterize developments, and the integrity of the NIE could be harmed.
- The declassification of NIE key judgments runs the risk of compromising sensitive intelligence sources and methods, weakening our ability to answer critical questions in the future. The 2007 Iran nuclear NIE stimulated a public debate which resulted in sensitive information leaking into the press.
- Declassification poses problems for maintaining consistent analytic judgments between unclassified and classified versions, potentially creating the appearance that the NIC presents different versions for different audiences.
- Public release of NIE judgments can complicate U.S. diplomacy and damage U.S. interests. The release of the 2007 NIE on Iran made diplomatic efforts at the U.N. more difficult and strained relations with key U.S. allies who questioned the wisdom of sharing information with us.

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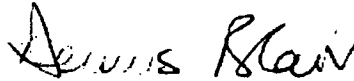


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The Honorable Rush Holt

We in the Intelligence Community must look to the national political leadership to inform the American people of challenges to U.S. interests and the policy choices that are available. The IC's primary responsibility remains to inform wise policymaking through our interactions with decision makers. In the future, the NIC will continue to make assessments and long-term studies available to the American people where appropriate, but highly sensitive judgments on our most pressing security challenges should remain classified.

Sincerely,

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Dennis C. Blair

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

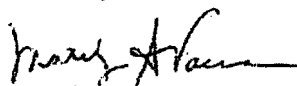
Enclosed is the report requested in your March 13, 2009 letter to the Director of National Intelligence. I have identified tasks from the April 2007 Intelligence Community (IC) Financial Statement Auditability Plan that are unchanged or deferred based on the Business Transformation Office (BTO) business architecture efforts. We did not use the modified category since alternative dates cannot be projected until BTO planning efforts are completed. In addition, I have provided a crosswalk to the milestones previously identified in the quarterly CDA report.

Auditability is a key thread with extensive interdependencies in the business transformation process. The CFO is a partner and contributor to business transformation and the enterprise process management approach, providing the BTO with process documentation, financial management standards, and functional requirements for the business enterprise. The IC will continue to improve financial management and internal controls, to the extent possible, as the BTO implements business transformation. The Office of the Director of National Intelligence, with the IC, will reassess auditability timelines and produce a revised auditability plan no later than four months after the BTO completes its evaluation and develops a roadmap later this year.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs
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Sincerely,



Marilyn A. Vacca

Enclosures: As stated.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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April 30, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

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Sincerely,



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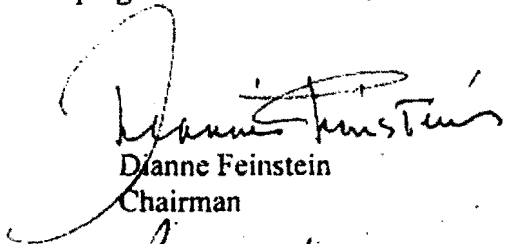
On December 10, 2008, an American citizen, Mr. Felix Batista, was kidnapped while on a business trip to Coahuila, Mexico.

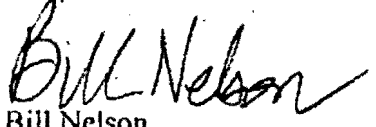
We understand that there is an ongoing investigation into Mr. Batista's disappearance by the Department of State, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and relevant Mexican law enforcement officials. It is also our understanding that his wife and family have not heard from his abductors, nor received any information regarding his whereabouts.

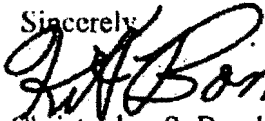
When Members of this Committee raised Mr. Batista's case at a recent hearing on Mexico, the National Intelligence Officer for the Western Hemisphere was unaware of the case.

We request that you canvas all members of the Intelligence Community and provide the Committee with any intelligence information regarding Mr. Batista's disappearance or his whereabouts.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We would appreciate you keeping the committee informed on any future developments on this case.


Dianne Feinstein
Chairman


Bill Nelson
United States Senator

Sincerely,

Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your November 5, 2009 letter and report regarding the Intelligence Community's (IC) Acquisition Audit. I appreciate your interest and continued engagement on this very important issue. The report has been shared with all of the relevant acquisition organizations across the IC and we are in the process of studying this substantial report.

I agree with the Committee's finding that the acquisition function is critically important to the intelligence mission. It remains one of my very top priorities and I continue to demand that my office and the IC strive for improvement in all areas of acquisition. I believe your report will be a helpful tool as we assess particular courses of action. In particular, we are carefully reviewing the nine recommendations made within the report.

(U) Please contact Kathleen Turner on for assistance with this or any other matter.

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

April 30, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

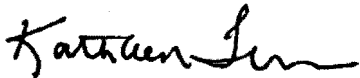
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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable John P. Murtha
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. Bill Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
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Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Young:

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May 5, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

We are writing to follow up on letters from Ranking Member Hoekstra on April 20, 2009, and April 24, 2009, a letter from Subcommittee Chairman Thompson on April 29, 2009, and a meeting that your staff held with Committee staff on April 15, 2009 requesting that the Administration provide lists of Members of Congress who were briefed and records of briefings with respect to enhanced interrogation techniques used by the Central Intelligence Agency, as well as information with respect to several substantive oversight questions relating to the release of related memoranda by the Office of Legal Counsel.

We are extremely concerned that the Administration appears unwilling or unable to provide complete and accurate information with respect to the briefings, particularly when detailed but partial records of such briefings have been made available on several occasions in past years, nor has it provided a reasonable explanation for this extended delay in providing basic information. We are also concerned that the Administration appears unwilling or unable to answer even basic oversight questions on the diverse implications that the decision to release the memoranda has had on intelligence community personnel and operations.

As you know, the President is required by law to keep the congressional intelligence committees "fully and currently informed", and to "furnish the congressional intelligence committees any information or material concerning intelligence activities ... which is within their custody or control, and which is requested by either of the congressional intelligence committees in order to carry out its authorized responsibilities," with respect to both general intelligence activities and covert actions (50 U.S.C. §413a(a)(2), 50 U.S.C. §413b(b)(2)). The failure to provide the requested information is in violation of this statutory requirement.

If the Administration intends to fulfill its own rhetoric with respect to the "Rule of Law", we expect the requested information to be provided immediately.

Thank you again for your assistance in this matter.

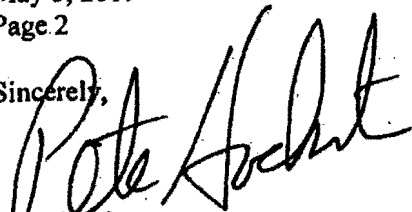
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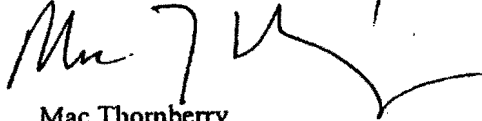
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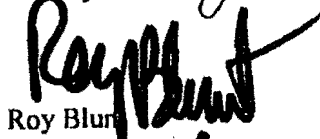
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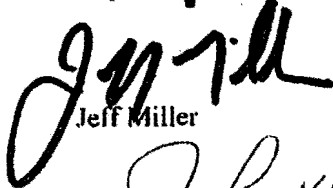
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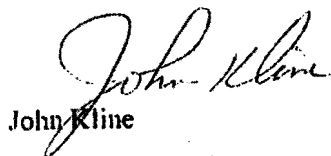
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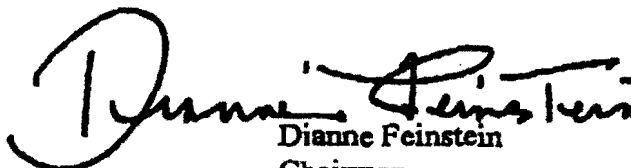
Dear Director Blair:


The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a closed hearing on the Administration's Fiscal Year 2010 National Intelligence Program budget request and recommended legislative provisions at 2:30 p.m., on Tuesday, May 19, 2009, in room S-407 in the Capitol. We request that you appear as the witness at this hearing, and that you make available any other supporting witnesses you may deem appropriate.

We request that you provide a written statement for the record to the Committee not later than May 15, 2009. In the interest of time, however, we request that you provide a twenty minute oral summary of the statement during the hearing.

We request that your testimony on the budget request focus on major initiatives, notable decisions, and significant changes within the National Intelligence Program. Additionally, we request that your testimony on legislative provisions not only present the Administration's requested statutory changes, but also your views on other provisions included in S. 2996, the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2009, as reported by our Committee on May 8, 2008.

If you or your staff have any questions or would like to discuss the hearing further, please contact Mr. Lorenzo Goco or Mr. Michael Davidson, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700.

Sincerely,

 Dianne Feinstein
 Chairman


 Christopher S. Bond
 Vice Chairman

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Select Committee on Intelligence
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, which has been signed into law by the President, "suspends" the implementation of certain elements of the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System (DCIPS), and by extension the Intelligence Community (IC) pay-for-performance initiative, through 31 December 2010. That legislation also requires that an independent organization be asked to review the operation of DCIPS, and report its findings to the Secretary of Defense and the congressional oversight committees.

Even though the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 does not cover non-Defense intelligence elements, I respect Congressional concerns regarding the IC pay-for-performance initiative. In addition, in light of a similar provision in H.R. 2701, the House Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, I view it as prudent to temporarily halt the planned conversion of employees in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence to an IC-wide "band-based" occupational structure.

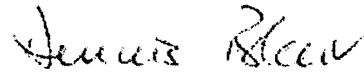
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The DoD, the IC, and the Administration remain committed to developing and deploying a system that better links the pay of IC employees to their performance -- and to implementing it in a way that meets the President's standards of fairness, transparency, and accountability. We will continue to work with Congress to achieve that goal.

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein and the Honorable Christopher Bond

The Office of Management and Budget advises there is no objection to the transmission of this letter from the standpoint of the President's Program.

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Dennis C. Blair

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The Honorable Thad Cochran
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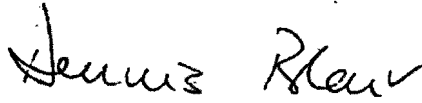
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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Young:

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The Honorable Zach Wamp
Ranking Member
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The Honorable John M. McHugh
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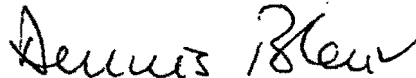
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The Honorable Jerry Lewis
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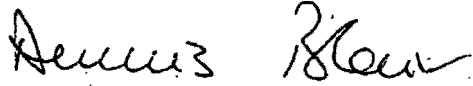
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United States Senate
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The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison
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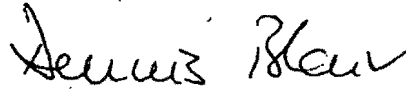
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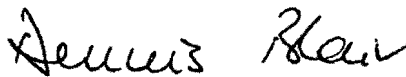
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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
The Honorable Peter Hoekstra

I strongly urge you to support the President's request for \$181.5 million for this critical data center. We welcome the opportunity to engage with you and your staff on this matter. If you have specific questions on this request, please refer those inquiries to my legislative affairs office at [redacted]

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

This program is solid -
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December 18, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

Earlier this year, the Administration made public the number of detainees who, upon release from the terrorist prison at Guantanamo Bay to third countries, were later confirmed or suspected of returning to the battlefield to fight against American troops or our allies.

I understand that a recent report from the Administration contains updated recidivism statistics on Guantanamo Bay terrorists, but this information remains classified unnecessarily.

As the Administration moves forward with plans to release or transfer detainees from the secure facility at Guantanamo Bay to third countries, it is important for the American people to understand fully the dangers previously-released detainees continue to pose to our national security. Moreover, because the Administration has decided to import terrorist detainees into the U.S.—including 9-11 mastermind Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and future residents of Thomson prison—their ultimate fate will be determined by U.S. judges and juries. The American people should be aware of the likely threat these terrorists would pose if a court decided to release any one of them into our nation's communities.

In order to inform the public, please provide, in an unclassified form, the number of detainees previously held at Guantanamo Bay who, upon release or transfer to a third country, were confirmed or suspected to have returned to the fight against America and our allies. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Christopher S. Bond
United States Senator

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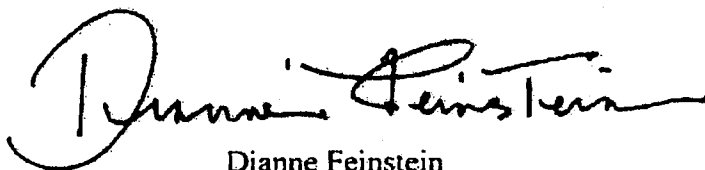
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May 8, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

The Honorable Leon Panetta
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Director Blair and Director Panetta:

Thank you for your letters of May 5 and May 6 and the accompanying list of briefings received by Members of Congress on Enhanced Interrogation Techniques. I appreciate this response to my earlier requests, as well as the opportunity to personally review the relevant Memoranda for the Record yesterday afternoon at CIA Headquarters on such short notice.

While our records suggest that there may have been a few additional briefings, on the whole the information provided was very helpful. However, my personal review of the Memoranda for the Record has only reinforced my view that those documents provide the best record of briefings that were memorialized with such records.

Given that the underlying programs have now been publicly disclosed by the President and that a general description of each briefing has been declassified, I am requesting that the MFRs be reviewed for declassification and publicly released as soon as possible. While I understand that some information relating to sources and methods or the ongoing Committee and criminal investigations of the destruction of interrogation videotapes may need to be withheld or redacted, my own review suggests that much of this material should be able to be made publicly available quickly.

Once again, thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,


Pete Hoekstra
Ranking Republican

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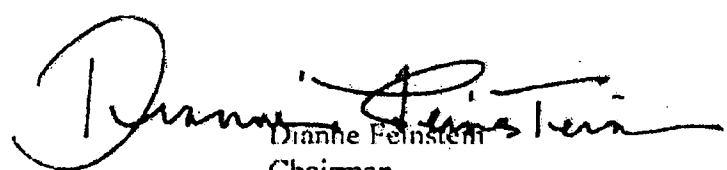
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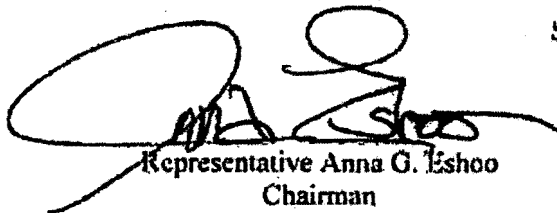
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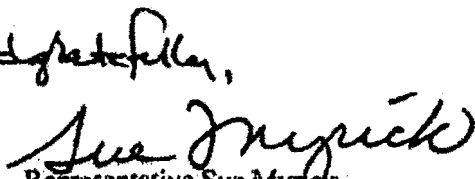
The Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will hold an open hearing on the Government Accounting Office's upcoming report on Personnel Security Clearance Reform from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm on Tuesday, May 19, 2009. We invite you or your designee to testify at this open session.

In March of 2008, our Subcommittee requested that the Government Accountability Office (GAO) evaluate the joint ODNI-DOD reform effort relative to best practice standards that GAO has used to evaluate other government reform efforts. The Committee also asked GAO to review the criteria that the Administration is using to assess the effectiveness of its efforts. The day of the hearing, GAO will release its report on those reform efforts. We request that you be prepared to respond to GAO's findings at the upcoming hearing.

Please provide your statement for the record by May 14, 2009. Please limit oral testimony to ten minutes. Questions regarding this hearing may be directed to Ms. Micka Eoyang, Subcommittee Staff Director, at 202-225-7690.


Representative Anna G. Eshoo
Chairman

Subcommittee on
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Sincerely, 

Representative Sue Myrick
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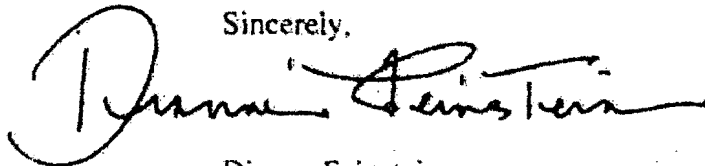
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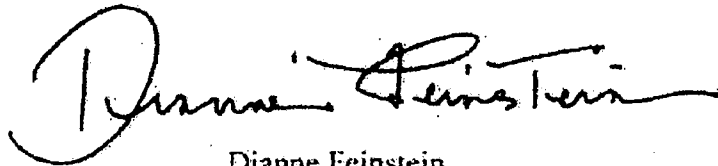
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your letter of April 27, 2009 regarding the Senate Armed Services Committee bill, S.454 and for the efforts of your staff to clarify its impact on National Intelligence Program (NIP) majority-funded acquisitions during the floor debate of this legislation.

As we conveyed to your staff, our assessment of the impact this bill is that S.454 does not impact the acquisition programs funded by the NIP.

The details on the two specific issues you asked us to address on terminology and the Memorandum of Agreement are contained below.

- a. With respect to the difference between "major defense acquisition program" in Title 10 and "major system acquisition" in Title 50:
 - As specified in Title 10 U.S.C. 2430 (a) (1) (2), a major defense acquisition program (MDAP) is a program either designated as such by the Secretary of Defense, or that is estimated to require an eventual total expenditure for research, development, test, and evaluation (RDT&E) of more than \$300M (based on fiscal year 1990 constant dollars) or an eventual expenditure for procurement of more than \$1.8 B (based on fiscal year 1990 constant dollars).
 - The 2004 Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act (IRTPA) defines a NIP major system acquisition (MSA) in accordance with Title 41 U.S.C. 403 (9). Specifically, the 403 (9) dollar threshold for major systems executed by DoD elements is \$75M in total RDT&E expenditures (base

year 1980 constant dollars) and \$300M in total procurement expenditures (base year 1980 constant dollars).

b. On the impact of S.454 on the March 2008 DNI-SecDef MOA:

- The IRTPA directed joint management by DoD and ODNI of wholly NIP funded acquisition programs executed by DoD IC elements. However, there are a number of jointly-funded acquisitions for which IRTPA was silent. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was signed between the SecDef and DNI agreeing that programs wholly or majority funded by the NIP executed in defense agencies would be jointly managed.
- The contents of S.454 are specifically applicable to a "major defense acquisition program" (MDAP) within the meaning of Title 10 U.S.C. 2430. Section 2430 (a) defines a MDAP to exclude a Department of Defense (DoD) acquisition program that is a "highly sensitive classified program" as determined by the SecDef.
- On March 25, 2008, the Secretary of Defense (SecDef) and DNI entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) entitled "Management of Acquisition Programs Executed at the Department of Defense Intelligence Community Elements." In that MOA, the SECDEF agreed that majority NIP-funded acquisition programs executed by DoD IC elements would be executed according to IC acquisition policy. In operation, fully and majority NIP-funded major system acquisitions (MSAs) executed in accordance with IC acquisitions policies, are treated as "highly sensitive classified programs" and do not follow MDAP requirements.

We have also completed an assessment of any possible interplay between S.454 and the acquisition reform provisions of S.2996 and have found none.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Kathleen Turner in the Office of Legislative Affairs on

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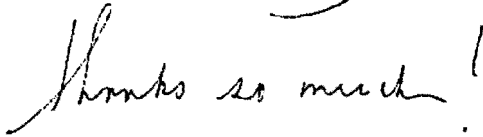
January 26, 2010

Dear Admiral Blair,

Thank you so much for having us for dinner last week. It was great to see you and the other dinner guests in such an enjoyable setting. We will have to do it again sometime soon!

Thanks again for fun evening.

Warm regards,



The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
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May 12, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:


We have reviewed your letter to the Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence in response to the November 2008 report of the Inspector General for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence entitled *Critical Intelligence Community Management Challenges*, and appreciate the actions that you have taken since becoming the Director of National Intelligence to address these issues.

We note that you describe the report as "based on anecdotal and dated information." We hope that this is not an attempt to dismiss the seriousness of the issues raised by the report. The concerns raised about the past DNI's leadership, the challenges addressed in information sharing, and the lack of financial controls in the IC were all based on previous reports from IGs, and echo concerns raised by the Committee itself.

As for the concern on timeliness, we want to assure you that the committee appreciates that the information contained in the November 2008 report does not reflect changes implemented since that time. Then-Inspector General Edward Maguire acknowledged the dated nature of the information in his testimony before our subcommittee, and, where appropriate, provided updated information on the progress of the organization in addressing the issues in the report. Yet many of the concerns raised in the report go to deeper, systemic issues and as such, we believe that they are still relevant challenges for you as the Director.

We look forward to hearing your vision for the organization, as well as hearing about the realignments of the organizational structure and new management team members. We hope we can work with you to ensure that the intelligence community is best serving the national security needs of our nation.

Sincerely,


Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress


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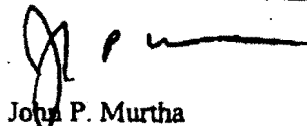
Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
 Chief Financial Officer
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 Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Vacca:

The Committee has received and reviewed your requests to reprogram funds within the National Intelligence Program (NIP FY09-006 & NIP FY09-008).

The Committee interposes no objection to the proposed reprogrammings.

Sincerely,



John P. Murtha
 Chairman
 Defense Subcommittee

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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The Honorable Russell D. Feingold
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Feingold:

Thank you for your December 21, 2009 letter concerning the Intelligence Oversight Board (IOB) documents recently released pursuant to a Freedom of Information Act request. Secretary Napolitano will be responding to your four specific questions. I write separately to reaffirm to you my continuing commitment to timely and accurate Congressional notifications.

As I have often repeated, Congressional oversight of the Intelligence Community is critical and the Intelligence Community takes seriously its statutory obligation to keep the intelligence committees fully and currently informed of intelligence activities. Your letter raises the concern that the documents released pursuant to the FOIA request were the first time you learned of some of the incidents and asked how the Intelligence Community decides whether to notify Congress of intelligence activities that have been reported to the IOB.

The Intelligence Community follows the standard set forth in Title V of the National Security Act when assessing whether to notify Congress of intelligence activities that have been reported to the IOB. Under the Title V standard, the Intelligence Community must keep Congress fully and currently informed of, among other things, any illegal intelligence activity (as well as any corrective action that is or will be taken), significant anticipated intelligence activities, and significant intelligence failures. I have provided guidance to the Intelligence Community on notifying Congress of such activities through Intelligence Community Policy Memorandum 2005-100-3 and other memoranda to the heads of the Intelligence Community elements. In contrast, intelligence activities are reported to the IOB if the activity *may* be unlawful, contrary to Executive Order, or Presidential Directive. While there is certainly substantial overlap between the two reporting standards, the standard for reporting to the IOB under Executive Order is different than that required for reporting to Congress. Consequently, not everything reported to the IOB is reported to Congress under Title V of the National Security Act. This different IOB standard is designed to encourage early identification of any potential intelligence oversight issues that may exist in a department. Moreover, IOB reports may be made on the basis of incomplete or inaccurate information and do not require substantiation before the matter is reported to the IOB.

Although there are different standards, many activities reported to the IOB are reported to Congress. I want to assure you that reporting matters to the IOB in no way alleviates the Intelligence Community's obligation and commitment to keep Congress fully and currently informed or to forward to the Attorney General information concerning intelligence activities that involve possible violations of Federal criminal laws. Going forward, my office's review of

The Honorable Russell D. Feingold

IOB reports will include an independent assessment of whether activities reported to the IOB resulted in, or should result in the respective agency submitting a Congressional notification.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Dennis Blair", with a stylized, cursive script.

Dennis C. Blair

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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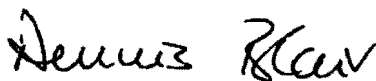
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

The attached Fiscal Year 2009 Annual Report on Intelligence Community (IC) Pay Modernization is being provided in response to ongoing congressional interest in the National Intelligence Civilian Compensation Program. While the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 suspended the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System (DCIPS), and by extension the IC's pay-for-performance initiative, pending an independent review of the DCIPS, much work was accomplished in 2009 on IC pay modernization and the accompanying report highlights those accomplishments.

The IC and the Administration remain committed to developing and deploying a system that better links the pay of IC employees to their performance—and to implementing it in a way that meets the President's standards of fairness, transparency, and accountability. We will continue to work with the Congress to achieve that goal.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

Enclosure:

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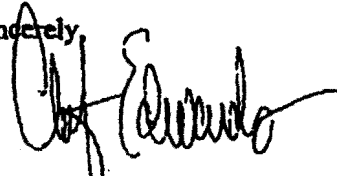
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Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
 Chief Financial Officer
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Dear Ms. Vacca:

This letter is in response to your April 6, 2009 military construction reprogramming request. The Committee has no objections to this request.

Sincerely,



Chet Edwards, Chairman
 Subcommittee on Military
 Construction and Veterans Affairs

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

The Intelligence Community (IC) is pleased to provide you with the Administration's proposed fiscal year (FY) 2010 Intelligence Authorization Act (IAA) for consideration by the Congress. Since Congress enacted the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act in December 2004, the IC has made progress in implementing needed reforms. There is still additional work to be done and the provisions included in the FY 2010 proposal identify legislation that would increase efficiency and improve management of the IC.

Our FY 2010 proposal contains many of the provisions that have appeared in previous years and which have been discussed with your staff. The provisions contained in our proposals – many of which have received the support of your Committee in the past – reflect our continued goal of creating a more integrated and collaborative IC.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that there is no objection, from the standpoint of the Administration's program, to the presentation of this legislative proposal package for your consideration and the consideration of the Congress at this time. A few provisions are still under review with OMB and will be forwarded to your committee as soon as they are available. We look forward to working with the Congress to continue the process of transformation of the IC and ensure the enactment of this important legislation.. Please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs, [redacted] for assistance with this or any other matter. (b)(3)

Sincerely,



John F. Kimmons
Lieutenant General, USA

Enclosure: As stated

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable John P. Murtha
Chairman
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House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. Bill Young
Ranking Member
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The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
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The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
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The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
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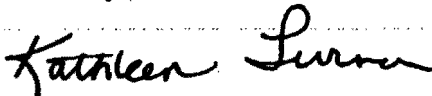
Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

- (i) Priscilla E. Guthrie was confirmed as the Associate Director of National Intelligence and Chief Information Officer on May 21, 2009.

The ODNI's Vacancies Reform Act contact is [redacted] - She can be reached at [redacted] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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May 22, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
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Dear Madam Speaker:

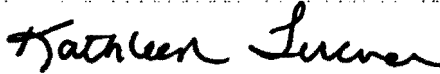
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May 28, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will hold a hearing on Intelligence Community human capital issues on Wednesday, June 3, 2009, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in HVC-304, the Capitol. This notice confirms the informal notice given to your staff on May 12, 2009. We invite you or your designee to testify at this session.

The hearing will focus on the Administration's FY2010 budget requests related to improving and managing the Intelligence Community's human capital. We request detailed information on whether and how you intend to proceed with implementation of pay-for-performance compensation systems such as the Defense Civilian Intelligence Personnel System and the National Intelligence Civilian Compensation Program. We also ask you to address Members' concerns regarding the size of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), and, to the extent possible, your plans to reorganize the ODNI.

Please inform us by close of business June 1 of your proposed witnesses and supporting attendees. In accordance with Committee rules, we request that written statements be delivered to the Committee no later than Monday, June 1.

Please direct any questions to Mieke Eoyang at (202) 225-7690. Thank you.

Sincerely,


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Chairman

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June 3, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will hold a hearing on the Intelligence Community's role in ensuring the nation's cybersecurity on Thursday, June 11, 2009, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in HVC-304, the Capitol. This letter confirms the informal notice given to your staff on May 27, 2009. We invite you or your designee to testify at this session.

The hearing will focus on the Administration's FY2010 budget requests related to the security of the government's computer networks, including previously authorized and appropriated Comprehensive National Cybersecurity Initiative funds. The Committee also requests information on the outcome of the Administration's 60-day review, including any decisions made regarding the reorganization of the federal government's cybersecurity efforts that have implications for the FY2010 budget.

Please inform us by close of business June 5, 2009, of your proposed witnesses and supporting attendees. In accordance with Committee rules, we request that written statements for the record be delivered to the Committee no later than Tuesday, June 9, 2009.

Please direct any questions to Mieke Eoyang at (202) 225-7690. Thank you.

Sincerely,


Silvestre Reyes
Chairman


Peter Heekstra
Ranking Member

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: (U) Congressional Notification: Progress Made in Strengthening
Intelligence Community Efforts Against Weapons of Mass
Destruction 2006-2008

(U) The National Counterproliferation Center (NCPC) – Office of the DNI's mission manager for countering the spread of weapons of mass destruction – is pleased to transmit the attached booklet highlighting key accomplishments since its founding.

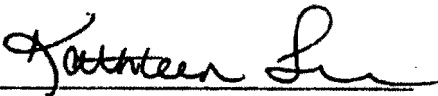
(U) NCPC was founded in late 2005 and chartered by the ODNI to serve as the primary organization within the Intelligence Community for managing, coordinating, and integrating planning, collection, exploitation, analysis, interdiction and other activities relating to weapons of mass destruction, related delivery systems, and related materials and technologies, and intelligence support to United States Government efforts and policies to impede such proliferation.


(U) Since its founding, and through 2008, NCPC's work has been focused in eight areas, as spelled out in the booklet:

- Helping to prevent WMD terrorism;
- Ensuring action and results across the intelligence and counterproliferation communities;
- Looking "over-the-horizon" for WMD threats;
- Working to close gaps in WMD intelligence;
- Implementing counterproliferation strategies;
- Enabling real information sharing;
- Developing our nation's newest counterproliferation tools; and
- Bringing our best minds together.

(U) In an effort to provide continued visibility into the work of NCPC, starting in June, the Center will transmit a semiannual update to highlight significant actions it has undertaken in that six-month period.

(U) If you have any questions on this matter please contact on (b)(3)


Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs


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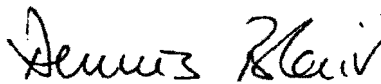
The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
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House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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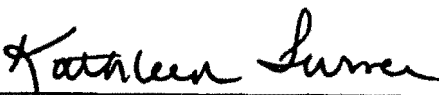
SUBJECT: Congressional Notification: The National Intelligence Plan for
Countering Proliferation 2009-2011

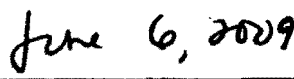
(U) We are pleased to provide you with this copy of *The National Intelligence Plan for Countering Proliferation 2009 – 2011*. Since its founding in 2005, the National Counterproliferation Center (NCPC) has worked to integrate, strengthen, and focus the Intelligence Community's efforts to counter the spread of weapons of mass destruction. This Plan – the second such guiding document NCPC has prepared – is the next step in laying out Community-wide counterproliferation goals and priorities.

(U) This Plan was a product of a Community-driven process – we depended on input from across the intelligence and counterproliferation communities to identify issues that required action. This is a blueprint to counter proliferation and not just describe it. For too long, we have done the later at the expense of the former, viewing counterproliferation solely as a technical issue that should remain cloistered within the walls of the science and technology establishment. To move beyond simply describing, we must expand the number of people who view WMD counterproliferation as part of their responsibilities, including offices focused on political, military, and economic issues.

(U) As we move into the implementation phase, we are pleased with the way that the Intelligence Community is responding to the range of challenges we face in countering the proliferation of WMD. From innovative approaches to working on (and succeeding at) WMD interdiction issues, to going after the most important intelligence gaps related to WMD terrorism, and our ongoing collaboration to look "over the horizon" for WMD threats, our Community has advanced all the priorities in NCPC's first Strategic Plan for Countering WMD Proliferation. We are confident that we will make similar progress under the direction of the new Plan.

(U) If you have any questions on this matter please contact on (b)(3)


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Director of Legislative Affairs


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June 8, 2009

Via email [redacted]

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Mr. Andrew M. Liepman
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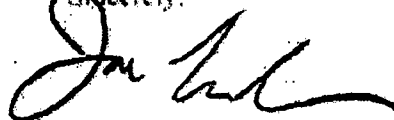
Dear Mr. Liepman:

Enclosed are post-hearing questions that have been directed to you and submitted for the official record from the hearing that was held on March 11, 2009, titled "Violent Islamist Extremism: al-Shabaab Recruitment in America." In order to ensure a complete hearing record, please type each question in full before each response and return your written responses on or before July 3, 2009, via e-mail to the committee's chief clerk, [redacted] at [redacted]

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If you have any questions, please contact [redacted] Chief Clerk, at [redacted].
Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,



Joseph I. Lieberman
Chairman

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June 9, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

As you are aware, questions about how the U.S. government should resolve the issue of Guantanamo Bay (GTMO) detainees have been the subject of intense debate in the months since the President announced his intent to close the detention camp in January 2009. This issue will continue to be the subject of debate as Congress considers the Administration's proposals for ultimate disposition of the detainees currently being held there.

To help inform this debate, on March 3, 2009, I submitted questions for the record (attached) following your February 12, 2009 appearance at the annual hearing on national security threats. While most of the Committee's questions from that hearing were answered on April 24, 2009, your office informed the Committee that my questions regarding the GTMO detainees and the Yemeni rehabilitation program would be answered separately by the Office of General Counsel. Yet, more than three months after these questions were originally submitted, I have not received a response.

Recently the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) informed the Committee that it advised against release of 25 of the 60 detainees the Administration has determined are eligible for release.

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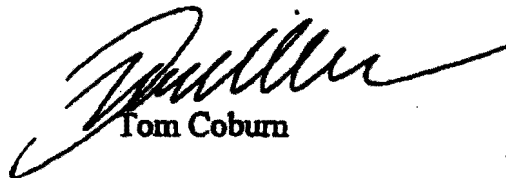
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DIA's admission that it is not objecting to the release of some members of terrorist organizations due to a belief that policy considerations will outweigh intelligence concerns, is highly troubling and highlights the need for the Committee to hear from your office about the judgments of all agencies on this matter. I hope you ensure that my threat hearing questions are answered expeditiously and that those responses will include the analysts' best judgments about the threat posed by GTMO detainees and not judgments tailored to meet perceived political needs. It is critical that Congress have an understanding of the Intelligence Community's unbiased judgment of the potential threat posed by GTMO detainees prior to considering proposals for moving detainees and closing GTMO. Thank you for your urgent attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Tom Coburn

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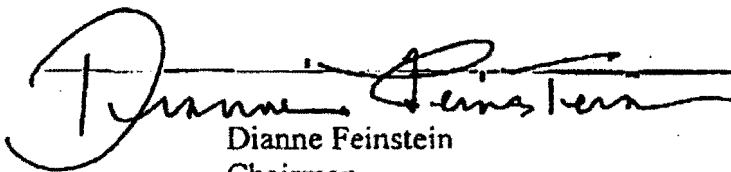
Dear Director Blair:


On December 3, 2009, Senator Akaka introduced S. 2834, the Security Clearance Modernization and Reporting Act of 2009, which was referred to the Select Committee on Intelligence. The bill is cosponsored by Senator Voinovich. The statements of Senators Akaka and Voinovich explaining the history and purpose of their bill may be found at 155 Cong. Rec. S12330-32 (daily ed., Dec. 3, 2009).

Please let us know of your views on the bill. In doing so, we would appreciate if you would coordinate with other Executive Branch officials, such as the Secretary of Defense and the Director of the Office of Personnel Management, as DOD and OPM, together with the ODNI, would have responsibilities under S. 2834 for the improvement of the Government's security clearance system.

We would appreciate if your response is provided as soon as possible.

Sincerely,


 Dianne Feinstein
 Chairman


 Christopher S. Bond
 Vice Chairman

Cc: The Honorable Daniel K. Akaka
 The Honorable George V. Voinovich

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February 11, 2010

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
 Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

Thank you for participating in our December 3, 2009, hearing on unauthorized disclosures of classified information. We appreciate your testimony and action plan to better address leaks of classified information through the use of administrative actions.

In furtherance of our oversight efforts, we respectfully request that the following information be provided to the Committee:

- 1) A written notification to the Committee (either from the filing agency, or the Office of the Director of National Intelligence) each time that an Intelligence Community (IC) agency submits a crimes report to the Department of Justice (DOJ) for an unauthorized disclosure of classified information. We expect the written notification to include the date and title of the specific article where classified information was disclosed, as well as the specific information in the article that is classified. Please supplement these notifications with the information provided to the DNI under the reporting guidelines of Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) 701 (f).
- 2) A separate written notification should be sent to the Committee noting the precise reasons that DOJ has declined to initiate an investigation.
- 3) A written notification should also be submitted to the Committee when a leak investigation is closed. The notification should specify why a prosecution is not being sought.

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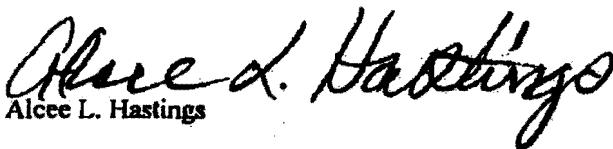
June 10, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

Pursuant to Section 324 of the Intelligence Authorization Act of 2003, ODNI has provided this Committee with an *Annual Report on Hiring and Retention of Minority Employees*. The report contains information on diversity at the Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Federal Bureau of Investigation, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, National Security Agency, and the National Reconnaissance Office. However, I believe the law requires the report to cover each element of the Intelligence Community. My staff has spoken with your staff on this matter and I believe they agree. I look forward to receiving more complete reports in the future and to working with you to improve diversity in the Intelligence Community.

Sincerely,


Alcee L. Hastings

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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
 Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

I received the after-the-fact notification from your office this morning regarding the transfer of four Uighur detainees to Bermuda, and have also followed with interest media reports this week that the Administration intends to transfer additional Uighur detainees to Palau, as well as reportedly to make a payment to the Government of Palau of \$200 million, an amount which significantly exceeds the estimated 2008 Gross Domestic Product of that nation.

I am writing to ask for further information and clarification of several matters relating to such resettlements, as well as to again express my concern that these steps are being taken without any consultation with Congress. In fact, the relevant Administration Task Forces have cancelled scheduled briefings with the Committee and refused to brief the Committee.

My questions are as follows:

1. Are the reports accurate with respect to the potential transfer of detainees to Palau, and the payment of \$200 million?
2. Was any payment made to the Government of Bermuda with respect to the transfer of detainees announced today? If so, what was the amount of the payment?
3. For any payment that has been made or is contemplated in connection with the relocation of Uighur or other detainees, please identify the budget account and specific appropriation from which the funds will be drawn. If any National Intelligence Program or Military Intelligence Program funds have been or are contemplated to be used for this purpose, please identify the specific authorization for the funds to be expended for this purpose.
4. Will the former detainees receive any direct financial assistance or other resettlement assistance?
5. What steps have been taken to ensure that the transferred detainees and any detainees to be transferred in the future will not leave the countries to which they have been transferred?

Director Blair
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6. What steps have been taken to ensure that the transferred detainees and any detainees to be transferred in the future will not enter the United States?
7. What steps have been taken to ensure that transferred detainees and any detainees to be transferred in the future will not resume communication or association with terrorist organizations?

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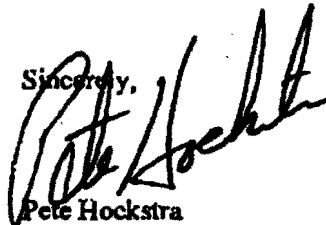
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9. In the future, will the Administration consult in advance with the Committee prior to the relocation or release of any detainees – particularly into the United States – as I requested in my previous letter to you of March 27, 2009? Will the relevant task forces commit to brief the Committee on their work both now and in advance of any final determinations of these critical national security matters, which in the past were briefed on a consultative and bipartisan basis?

Thank you for your assistance with this important matter.

Sincerely,



Pete Hockstra
Ranking Republican

Honorable Dennis C. Blair

February 11, 2010

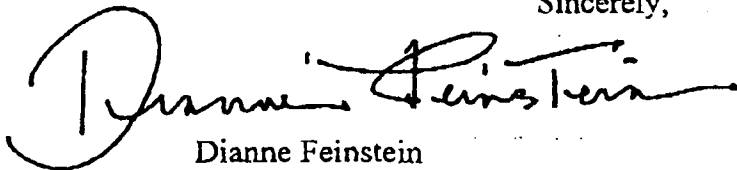
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- 4) A written notification should be provided to the Committee each time that administrative sanctions are imposed by the IC against an employee for the unauthorized disclosure of classified information. We expect the notification to detail the information the employee disclosed as well as the sanction that was imposed.
- 5) Further, we request that you provide the Committee with any guidance sent to IC agencies subsequent to ICD 701, including guidance on the obligation of IC agencies to continue administrative investigations following a crimes report to DOJ until such time as DOJ asks the agencies not to continue them.

A copy of this letter will be sent to the Attorney General, as the Department of Justice's full cooperation in our oversight efforts of leaks is expected.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman



Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

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11 June 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
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United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510


Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

The enclosure to this letter provides additional responses to questions asked following the Committee's 12 February 2009 hearing on the Current and Projected National Security Threats to the United States.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me on

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

February 19, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Majority Leader Reid and Speaker Pelosi:

Over the past several months, Congress has been considering the reauthorization of three important provisions of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA), which are scheduled to expire on February 28, 2010: section 206 of the USA PATRIOT Act, which provides authority for roving surveillance of targets who take steps to thwart FISA surveillance; section 215 of the USA PATRIOT Act, which provides authority to compel production of business records and other tangible things with the approval of the FISA court; and section 6001 of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act, which provides authority to target with FISA surveillance non-United States persons who engage in international terrorist activities but are not necessarily associated with an identified terrorist group. National security requires that these provisions be reauthorized before they expire.

As discussed in the Attorney General's November 9, 2009 letter, we believe that S. 1692, the USA PATRIOT Act Sunset Extension Act, as reported by the Senate Judiciary Committee, strikes the right balance by both reauthorizing these essential national security tools and enhancing statutory protections for civil liberties and privacy in the exercise of these and related authorities. We were very pleased that the bill received bipartisan support in the Committee.

Since the bill was reported, we have negotiated a number of specific changes with the sponsors of the bill which we support including in the final version of this legislation. Among these are several provisions derived from the bills reported by the House Judiciary Committee and introduced by House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Chairman Silvestre Reyes in November.

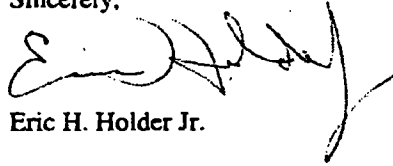
We strongly support the prompt consideration of USA PATRIOT Act reauthorization legislation based on S. 1692, together with the changes to which our staffs have informally agreed. However, if Congress is unable to complete work on this measure before these authorities expire, it is imperative that Congress pass a temporary extension of sufficient length to ensure that there is no disruption to the availability of these vital tools in the fight against terrorists.

As was previously noted in a September 14 letter from the Department of Justice to Senator Patrick Leahy, the business records authority has been used to support important and highly sensitive intelligence collection operations, of which both Senate and House leadership, as well as Members of the Intelligence and Judiciary Committees and their staffs are aware. We can provide additional information to Members concerning these and related operations in a classified setting.

Finally, we remain committed to working with Congress to examine additional ways to enhance protection for civil liberties and privacy consistent with effective use of these important authorities.

The Office of Management and Budget has advised us that there is no objection to this letter from the perspective of the Administration's program.

Sincerely,



Eric H. Holder Jr.



Dennis C. Blair

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

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The Honorable Alcee Hastings
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Hastings:

Thank you for your 10 June letter and your longstanding support and commitment to increasing diversity in the Intelligence Community (IC). IC senior leaders believe strongly that diversity is a mission-critical imperative, essential to ensuring our Nation's security. We welcome input, ideas, and assistance as we work collaboratively as a community to achieve our shared goal of building and retaining an IC workforce that reflects diversity in its broadest context—cultural backgrounds, ethnicity and ancestry, race, gender, ability, language, generations, and perspective.

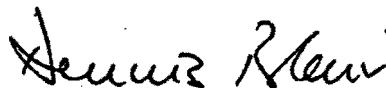
Pursuant to P.L. 107-306, Section 324, the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) provides to Congress an *Annual Report on Hiring and Retention of Minority Employees in the IC*. Currently we report on the "Big Six" IC components: the Central Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, the Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Security Branch, the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, and the National Reconnaissance Office.

The Office of IC Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity (IC EEOD), with assistance from the IC EEOD Council (which consists of the Directors of EEOD across the community) will be requesting diversity data and information from all 16 components to include in the annual report that we will provide to the Congress in 2010. In addition, IC EEOD will be requesting similar diversity data and information on the ODNI workforce to include in the report as well. This will be an incremental process for some IC elements that do not currently maintain comprehensive workforce diversity data.

We are very committed to improving diversity in the IC and look forward to continuing to work with you and the committee as we expand the IC coverage of this report. If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Turner in our Office of Legislative Affairs. She can be reached at -----

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Sincerely,



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*Anna G. Eskes
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March 22, 2010

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair,

I write to request that ODNI conduct a review of the national security and intelligence implications of the increased presence of Chinese-manufactured telecommunications equipment in U.S. telecommunications systems. This equipment includes switches and routers that are embedded in all networks, and could potentially be accessed and controlled from China. The existence of such products seems to create the possibility of espionage, allowing China to monitor and interfere with U.S. communications.

Among the largest global telecommunications suppliers today are two Chinese companies – Huawei Technologies Co., Ltd. and ZTE Corporation. Huawei is alleged to have significant ties to the Chinese military and has received billions of dollars in export financing from the Chinese government.

Huawei's operations have raised national security concerns in several contexts. The Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States ("CFIUS") prevented an acquisition by Huawei of U.S. network and software company 3Com. Huawei and private equity company Bain Capital withdrew their offer for 3Com in 2008 after they were unable to reach a mitigation agreement with CFIUS, which planned to oppose the transaction. Governments around the world have also raised security concerns about Huawei's potential for espionage, including in the United Kingdom.

In addition, changes in the telecommunications market are encouraging domestic carriers to outsource their network operations to telecommunications equipment suppliers. So it is possible that U.S. telecommunications will be managed in whole or in part from China if the market is unconstrained.

While Huawei has historically had a low market share in the United States, it has recently taken steps to increase its penetration in the U.S. telecommunications market. The company has made several bids to supply telecommunications equipment at low prices with attractive financing, and it has been making more sales of late. When telecommunications carriers purchase equipment from Huawei, the result is that U.S. communications will travel over switches, routers, and other equipment that was

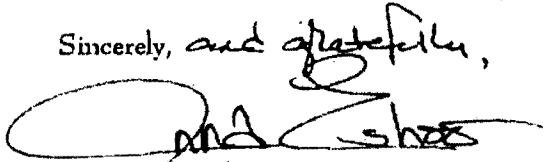
manufactured and designed in China and may be remotely accessed and programmed from that country.

In light of this situation, I request that ODNI conduct both a classified and an unclassified or Secret assessment and provide a brief on the following issues:

- How does the use of Chinese-origin telecommunication equipment in the United States affect the conduct of U.S. law enforcement and intelligence activities, as well as the use of intelligence against the United States?
- What risks does the use of Chinese-origin telecommunication equipment in the United States pose to the switched telecommunications infrastructure?
- How does the possible outsourcing or offshoring of telecommunications services to Chinese companies affect national security and intelligence activities, and what risks and vulnerabilities does our country face?
- What tools do the intelligence and national security agencies have to address any national security risks arising from the use of Chinese-origin telecommunications equipment or services?
- How have the agencies used those tools to date?

I know you share my concern for our nation's security and hope you will conduct this review with great thoroughness and dispatch. I look forward to the results of your review, and thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely, *and gratefully,*



Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM MANAGER, INFORMATION SHARING ENVIRONMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

June 30, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
Vice President of the United States
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. Vice President:

Section 1016(h) of the *Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004*, as amended, requires the submission to the Congress of a report on the state of the Information Sharing Environment (ISE) and of information sharing across the Federal Government. The third *Annual Report to the Congress on the ISE* is attached in fulfillment of this requirement.

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June 30, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker, U.S. House of Representatives
H-232, U.S. Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

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211 Hart Senate Office Building
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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
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Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hoekstra:

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The Honorable Daniel Inouye
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The Honorable Thad Cochran
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The Honorable John P. Murtha
Chairman
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Appropriations, Defense Subcommittee
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable C.W. Bill Young
Ranking Member
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Young:

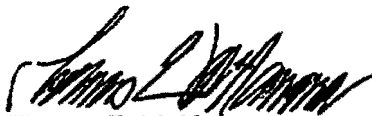
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June 30, 2009

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary
224 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Jeff Sessions
Vice Chairman
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Vice Chairman Sessions:

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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Chairman
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on the Judiciary
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Lamar S. Smith
Ranking Member
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Smith:

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Dear Mr. Chairman and Vice Chairman Collins:

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If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Turner in the Office of Legislative Affairs on -----

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Sincerely,



Thomas E. McNamara

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM MANAGER, INFORMATION SHARING ENVIRONMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

June 30, 2009

The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Peter T. King
Ranking Member
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member King:

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June 30, 2009

The Honorable Edolphus Towns
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Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Darrell Issa
Ranking Member
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Issa:

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: Congressional Notification: Office of the DNI Organizational Update-Systems and Resource Analyses Standup and Deputy DNI for Future Capabilities Name Change

REFERENCE: June 4, 2009 Congressional Notification on ODNI Realignment
May 28, 2009 Congressional Notification on Appointment of Associate DNI for Systems and Resource Analyses

(U) Over the past several weeks, we have been providing Congressional Notifications on individual staff and element changes in the Office of the DNI. On May 28, 2009 we notified the Congress of the appointment of Dr. L. Roger Mason as the Associate Director of National Intelligence for Systems and Resource Analyses (ADNI/SRA). The ADNI/SRA will serve as the principal staff assistant and advisor to the DNI for matters pertaining to program analysis, evaluation, and resource allocation. The SRA office is composed of elements and personnel from the Office of the Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Future Capabilities (the Architecture, Engineering and Integration component) and the Program Analysis and Evaluation Office and the Cost Analysis Improvement Group components of the office of the Associate Director of National Intelligence/Chief Financial Officer. David Svetz, formerly of the office of the Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Collection, is Dr. Mason's deputy.

(U) With the realignment of the Architecture, Engineering and Integration function and to provide clarity of responsibilities, the position of the Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Future Capabilities is renamed the Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Acquisition & Technology (DDNI/A&T). The DDNI/A&T will oversee the discovery, development, and application of advanced technologies while ensuring the IC's major acquisitions are effectively accomplished. These staff realignments are resource neutral.

(U) Alden Munson, who has served as the Deputy Director for National Intelligence for Future Capabilities since May 2007, will leave that position on July 10, 2009. Mr. Munson has led the Intelligence Community to a return to acquisition excellence. Among his many accomplishments, he achieved a Memorandum of Agreement with the Secretary of Defense on Milestone Decision Authority and the application of IC acquisition policy for National Intelligence Program acquisitions and, he stood up the Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity. Mel Heritage will assume the role of Acting DDNI/A&T.

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Kathleen Turner
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*Anna G. Eshoo
Fourteenth District
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Ms. Roslyn Mazer, Inspector General
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Mazer,

Thank you for briefing the Subcommittee on March 18th on issues that your office recently investigated or plans to this year. The briefing was most productive and I especially appreciated the candid exchange.

The Subcommittee was pleased to hear that with your assistance, the DNI institutionalized a process for ensuring the implementation of IG recommendations. The Subcommittee is also encouraged that you will be testing reciprocity in the acceptance of security clearances across the Intelligence Community and we eagerly await the findings.

Thank you again for your outstanding work.

All my best,

Anna G. Eshoo, Chairwoman
Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20515

FRANK R. WOLF
TENTH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

April 28, 2010

Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share with you my enclosed letter to President Obama regarding the importance of creating a "Team B" to bring fresh eyes to U.S. counterterrorism strategy. This is a commonsense proposal that would garner bipartisan support.

As you will read in the enclosure, respected Georgetown University professor Bruce Hoffman wrote about the need for a "Team B" approach in the enclosed article from *The National Interest*. He believes it is an "essential element" of effective counterterrorism strategy.

I urge you to advise the president to implement this important proposal to ensure we stay a step ahead of our terrorist adversaries. I stand ready to assist in this effort.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

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July 17, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
The Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair,

According to a story on Thursday in the *Washington Post*, you stated that the failure to notify the congressional intelligence committees about a program recently cancelled by CIA Director Leon Panetta did not violate the law. I disagree and believe that the program in question fit squarely within the notification requirements of the National Security Act. I therefore request that you provide me with your analysis, and any analysis by the DNI General Counsel, supporting your conclusion.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



Russell D. Feingold
UNITED STATES SENATOR

CC: The Honorable Leon Panetta
Director, Central Intelligence Agency

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ADAM SMITH
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May 11, 2010

Dear Admiral Blair,

I would like to thank you for taking the time to speak at Ninth District Day. The event proved to be a tremendous success and I've received wonderful feedback from my constituents.

I value your participation in the event and look forward to working with you in the future.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Adam Smith

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**Congress of the United States
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July 17, 2009

Mr. Christian Marrone
Assistant Secretary for Legislative Affairs
Department of Defense
1300 Defense Pentagon
Washington DC 20301-1300

Dear Mr. Marrone:

I have enclosed a letter which I received from one of my constituents, Mr. David B. Loken, regarding a matter I believe may be under your department's jurisdiction.

I would appreciate it if you would review the enclosed correspondence and address the issues it discusses. It would be helpful if you would address your response to me, to the attention of: Ann Potocnak at my Herndon office.

Thank you for your time and courtesy in being attentive to the concerns of my constituent.

With kind regards,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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cc: Ms. Chani Wiggins, DHS

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DANIEL K. INOUE

May 20, 2010

Admiral Dennis C. Blair (ret.)
Director National Intelligence
Washington D.C. 20511

Dear Admiral Blair:

I was shocked and disappointed to learn of your resignation as the Director of National Intelligence. It is my view that you have served impeccably as the Director under very difficult circumstances. Moreover, I have long been impressed with your service to the Nation both in and out of uniform. The country owes you a debt of gratitude. Please know that if I can be of any assistance to you in the future, don't hesitate to ask. My door is always open.

Sincerely,



Daniel K. Inouye
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Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
 Chief Financial Officer
 Office of the Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Vacca:

The Committee has received and reviewed your request to reprogram funds within the National Intelligence Program (NIP FY10-010).

The Committee interposes no objection to the proposed reprogramming.

Sincerely,

Norm Dicks

NORM DICKS
 Chairman
 Defense Subcommittee





**One Hundred Eleventh Congress
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515**

July 17, 2009

Ambassador Thomas E. McNamara
Program Manager
Information Sharing Environment
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
2100 K Street, NW
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ambassador McNamara:

The House Committee on Homeland Security's Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing and Terrorism Risk Assessment will hold a hearing entitled "Beyond ISE Implementation: Exploring the Way Forward for Information Sharing" on Thursday, July 30, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. in 311 Cannon House Office Building. I am writing to confirm an invitation for you to testify at this hearing.

Under Committee Rule VI(D), each witness shall submit a prepared or written statement, which must be filed with the Clerk of the Committee no less than 48 hours in advance of your appearance before the Committee. Please submit a copy of your testimony electronically to the Deputy Chief Clerk of the Committee at natalie.nixon@mail.house.gov, no later than 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, July 28, 2009. Pursuant to Committee Rule VI(D)(2) failure to provide testimony to the Committee by the deadline may result in your oral and/or written testimony being excluded from the record. In addition, please bring with you to the hearing, one printed copy of your testimony. Oral testimony should not exceed five minutes and should summarize the witness' written remarks. The witness may, in addition, introduce into the record any other supporting documentation, in accordance with the enclosed guidelines.

Under clause 2(k) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, witnesses at hearings may be accompanied by their own counsel to advise them concerning their constitutional rights. Witness counsels are not permitted to sit at the table, unless authorized by the Committee. I reserve the right to place any witness under oath. A witness may obtain a transcript copy of their testimony given in open, public sessions, or in a closed session only when authorized by the Subcommittee/Committee.

The Rules of the Committee, adopted February 2009, are available on its website at <http://homeland.house.gov/SiteDocuments/rules111.pdf> and the Rules of the House of Representatives are available at the House of Representatives' website at <http://www.house.gov/rules/111rules.pdf>. Due to the limited space available at the Committee

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hearing, the Committee authorizes each witness to have not more than two accompanying staff, including any counsel as specified above.

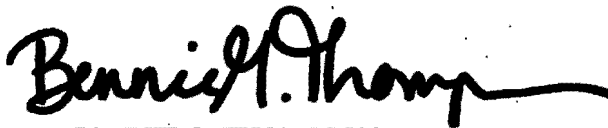
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Should you or your staff have any questions or need additional information, please contact Michael Blinde, Subcommittee Director, or Natalie Nixon, Deputy Chief Clerk at

Sincerely,



BENNIE G. THOMPSON
Chairman

Enclosures:
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Testimony Format Requirements

The following restrictions apply only to materials you submit for inclusion in the printed hearing record. All testimony and materials must be received by the Committee at least two working days before the day of the hearing.

Each statement and exhibit presented to the Committee for inclusion in the printed record must conform to the guidelines listed below. We will not print statements or exhibits that are not in compliance with these guidelines; non-compliant submissions will be retained in the Committee files.

1. **TESTIMONY.** Please provide the clerk one hard copy and an electronic (e-mailed) copy of testimony for distribution to Committee Members and the press no later than 48 hours prior to the hearing. Please use typed, single-spaced, letter-size (8½ x 11) white paper NOT to exceed a total of 12 pages. We require a copy of your testimony and exhibits in WordPerfect, MS Word or text (ASCII) format to include in the printed record.
2. **HEADING.** At the top of your first page, please give your name, title, the organization that you represent, and the date and title of the hearing.
3. **ATTACHMENTS.** If you submit attachments, charts, photos, or other exhibits to your testimony please include them as separate items at the end of your testimony. If attachments are more than 10 pages long (in addition to your original testimony) or on paper larger than 8½ x 14, we cannot accept them for printing. Instead, you should paraphrase or quote from the exhibit material. As with your testimony, we require a copy of all attachments in electronic form. Copyrighted material will not be duplicated by the Committee. The Committee will retain all exhibit material not meeting these requirements in its files.
4. **PUBLIC ACCESS.** The Committee provides public access to hearing materials via the Internet at the Committees' website <http://homeland.house.gov/>. Please be sure to send your statement electronically to: ----- (b)(6)

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June 17, 2010

Mr. David C. Gompert
Acting Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Mr. Gompert:

We are writing to reiterate our request for the installation of two Capital Network (CAPNET) terminals in the House Committee on Foreign Affairs' (HCFA's) recently renovated Secure Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF), and to express concern over the apparent confusion in your office regarding the completion of this installation.

The original site survey of our facility was conducted during a March 6, 2008, meeting with the House Security Office, represented by Mr. William McFarland, representatives from the Office of the Architect of the Capital (AOC) responsible for construction, and the DNI's CAPNET office, represented by Mr. Brian Woolfolk. Construction proceeded with the installation of the proper cables, T-1 lines, and computer outlets installed for two CAPNET terminals. The facility is now awaiting final accreditation which will occur in the next several weeks.

At approximately the same time as our initial 2008 meeting, similar requests were made by the Homeland Security Committee and the Armed Services Committee for CAPNET installations in their SCIFs. Terminals were provided to the Homeland Security Committee last month, and we understand from an email sent by your agency that terminals will be installed soon inside the Armed Services Committee SCIF.

As you know, CAPNET was established to allow appropriately cleared staff in Congress access to information from the intelligence community's classified intranet (Intelink). It also includes a secure email system to assist in communication between the Congress and the intelligence community. Much of the information contained on the system is already received by this Committee on a daily basis in hard copy.

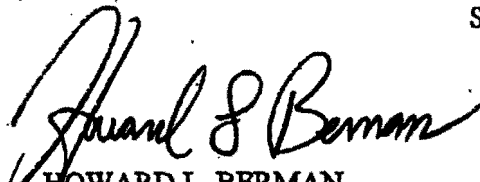
Mr. David C. Gompert
June 17, 2010
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We are deeply disturbed by the explanations your agency has provided to justify its reluctance to proceed with the CAPNET installation. The first is that it is "against the law" for this Committee to have access to CAPNET; and the second, that ODNI "never had the plans" to provide this Committee with access despite conducting a site survey in 2008 and monitoring the project periodically during the construction phase. If ODNI believes there is no legal basis for this Committee to have access to CAPNET, we request a meeting immediately with appropriate counsels from your agency and the White House to explain this position, as we are not aware of any legal prohibition on any congressional committee – especially HCFA – from accessing the information provided by CAPNET. If ODNI never had the plans to provide us this service, we expect ODNI to remedy this situation as quickly as possible to ensure that HFAC has access to CAPNET.

The House Committee on Foreign Affairs is responsible for a wide range of issues relating to U.S. foreign policy and national security, including matters pertaining to the State Department, global political affairs, international terrorism, and export controls on sensitive technologies. In order for the Committee to fulfill its constitutional responsibilities and provide effective oversight, it is imperative that we have appropriate access to relevant information from the intelligence community, including through CAPNET.

We would appreciate your immediate assistance in resolving this serious matter, and look forward to working with you.

Sincerely,


HOWARD L. BERMAN
Chairman


ILEANA ROS-LEHTINEN
Ranking Republican Member

United States Senate

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June 29, 2010

Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
Chief Financial Officer
Office of Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Vacca:

This is to inform you that the Committee has reviewed the proposed reprogramming action requested by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence dated June 10, 2010. The Committee approves the request to reprogram funds for planning and design.

Sincerely,



Tim Johnson, Chairman
Committee on Appropriations
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July 22, 2009

Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity
Washington, DC 20511
ATTN: Dr. Porter

Dr. Porter,

As a member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, I am regularly exposed to many cutting edge technological advances that improve the Intelligence Community's capabilities. I would like to bring to your attention to one such technological breakthrough that may merit further review.

Imagination Engines, Inc. (IEI) holds U.S. and international patents in building completely biomimetic, artificial neural network based creative systems that are capable of:

- Inventing multiple interpretations of raw sensory inputs patterns
- Resolving the interpretation of such input patterns based upon contextual clues and learning
- Anticipating the repercussions of any given input pattern through the spontaneous generation of relevant associative chains
- Spontaneously devising their own experiments to improve their world understanding.

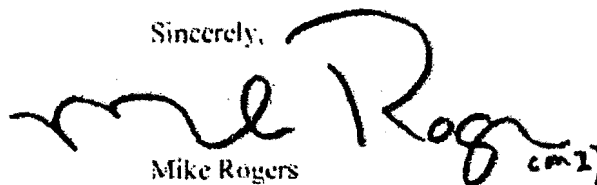
According to IEI, such systems have not only been theorized, but have also been reduced to practice in mining the Internet in prior proof-of-principle experiments for military intelligence.

On the surface, this technology would appear to have many uses in each IARPA's three program offices. I would appreciate it if you could review the technology and share with me your conclusions.

I appreciate your time. Should you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to contact or my staff at 202-225-4872.

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Sincerely,



Mike Rogers
Member of Congress



*Congress of the United States
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Washington, D.C. 20515*

*Anna G. Eshoo
Fourteenth District
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July 21, 2010

9/28 Sec 10
The Honorable James Clapper
Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence
Department of Defense
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Washington, DC 20301

Dear General Clapper,

Once again, congratulations on your nomination to be the Director of National Intelligence. I read with great interest your response to Senator Feingold's question on the value of GAO to the intelligence community. In particular, you cited GAO's critiques of the Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance road map, as well as their work on Security Clearance reform as two areas where GAO has been useful to you.


I obviously agree with you about the benefit of GAO's work on security clearances. It was that very work that lead me to include language in the Intelligence Authorization Bill to guarantee GAO's access to the intelligence community. Unfortunately, some in the Administration have objected to using GAO to audit intelligence community functions.

As the recent Washington Post series of articles makes clear, the intelligence community is having difficulty evaluating and getting an understanding of the intelligence enterprise, and in particular the number of contractors it has. This is exactly the kind of work in which GAO excels.

I believe that GAO is an important legislative branch oversight tool which provides tremendous benefit and expertise in areas such as human capital management, financial management, and review of strategic plans. Furthermore, I do not believe it is appropriate or Constitutional for the Executive Branch to deny Congress the use of such tool.

I would urge you to voice your support for GAO to the President directly. I hope I can count on you to continue to be an advocate for GAO during your continued government service.

All my best,


Anna G. Eshoo
Member of Congress



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Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

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Mr. James Clapper
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Clapper:

We are writing to request that your office prepare a report on the risk and vulnerabilities to our defense and intelligence interests and critical infrastructure from the increasing globalization of supply chains and provision of services. This is a matter that was supported by the House of Representatives in its consideration of the Intelligence Authorization earlier this year. However, since action on the Authorization has not yet been completed, we believe that work on this study must begin immediately to ensure that our nation's critical interests are protected.

Attempts – and successful efforts – to infiltrate critical communications infrastructure are increasing on a daily basis. These actions target a wide variety of assets not only to identify and exfiltrate valuable information, but to develop strategies to deter and deny our nation's ability to defend itself and its interests. The actions in question involve not only the Internet but also other informationalized assets. Electronic incursions may be facilitated by the variety of equipment, components, and, indeed, services that we rely on in an increasingly globalized world.

More and more, equipment and component parts manufactured abroad are being integrated into the computer networks, telecommunications, electric grid, financial systems and other critical infrastructure of our nation. The risks posed by our globalized supply chains and services are mounting. It is vital that we assess these risks and evaluate what mitigation steps may be appropriate to ensure that our systems are secure, and our national interests are appropriately protected.

We believe that your office should prepare a National Intelligence Estimate or National Intelligence Assessment on the global supply chain and global provision of services to determine whether such supply chains and such services pose a risk to defense and intelligence systems and critical infrastructure due to components that may be counterfeit, defective or deliberately manipulated by a foreign government or a criminal organization, or services that may be managed, controlled, or manipulated by a foreign government or criminal organization.

In addition, we believe that your office should conduct a review of the adequacy of the mechanisms to identify and mitigate vulnerabilities in the global supply chain and provision of services that jeopardize our nation's interests. We believe that particular attention should be paid to the threat posed by State-controlled and State-invested enterprises and the extent to which the actions and activities of such enterprises may be controlled, coerced, or influenced by a foreign government.

We look forward to working with you on this matter.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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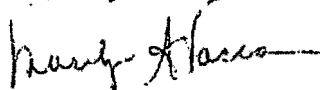
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Feinstein and Vice Chairman Bond:

Enclosed is the Intelligence Community Auditability Status report for third quarter FY 2009. This report utilizes a new format that focuses on four areas critical to achieve auditable financial statements -- Fund Balance with Treasury, Intergovernmental Transfers, Plant, Property and Equipment, and the Financial Management Career Program. The report highlights progress on key tasks and milestones, schedule, and remediation actions that are measured on results-oriented metrics. I would be pleased to brief your staff on the report and answer any questions. I can be reached at [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,



Marilyn A. Vacca

Enclosure: As stated.

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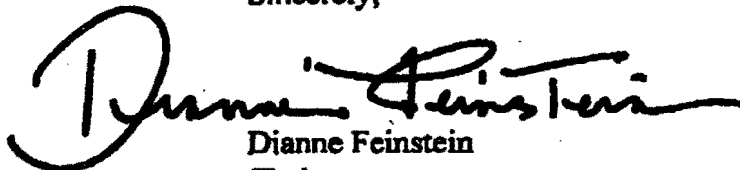
The Honorable James R. Clapper, Jr.
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Clapper:

As the Senate considers the New START Treaty, the Intelligence Committee is focusing on the ability of the Intelligence Community to monitor Russian implementation and the effect that the Treaty may have on intelligence collection and analysis. To that end, the Committee has reviewed the June 2010 National Intelligence Estimate on monitoring the Treaty and other intelligence documents, held numerous briefings, and held a closed hearing on July 13, 2010.

David Gompert, the Acting DNI at the time, testified at the hearing along with relevant senior intelligence analysts. Now that you have been confirmed as DNI, I invite you to provide your own views on the intelligence issues related to the New START Treaty.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman and Senator Cochran:

I am forwarding to you unclassified and classified versions of the recently completed 2009 *National Intelligence Strategy* (NIS). The NIS establishes the strategic goals, objectives, and principal missions of the Intelligence Community (IC) that address our most complex and pressing national challenges. The NIS is an important tool to integrate the IC's capabilities and provides an increased understanding of threats and opportunities facing the Nation.

The NIS lays out a straightforward vision for the Community: We will be integrated, agile, and exemplify America's values. It contains six mission objectives: combating violent extremism, countering WMD proliferation, providing strategic intelligence and warning, integrating counterintelligence, enhancing cybersecurity, and supporting current operations. The NIS also sets out seven enterprise objectives (community mission management, strategic partnerships, business processes, information integration and sharing, S&T/R&D, the workforce and acquisition) that will enable us to succeed at these missions.

Strategy is critical to managing any complex enterprise to ensure that ways and means are effectively combined to reach desired ends. The NIS reflects substantial input from the leaders of the components that comprise the IC. I will be playing an active role in implementing the NIS, using annual planning guidance and personal performance agreements with IC leaders.

If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at (b)(3)

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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hoekstra:

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The Honorable Rush Holt
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The Honorable Kenneth Calvert
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Calvert:

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The Honorable John Murtha
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The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Congressman Young:

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August 18, 2010

The Honorable Timothy Geithner
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Department of the Treasury
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The Honorable Gary Locke
Secretary of Commerce
Department of Commerce
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General James Clapper
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

The Honorable Martha N. Johnson
Administrator of General Services
U.S. General Services Administration
1800 F Street, NW
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Secretary Geithner, Secretary Locke, Administrator Johnson, and Director Clapper:

We write to you regarding press reports that the Chinese firm Huawei Technologies (Huawei) is bidding to supply equipment to Sprint Nextel, and that lawyers retained by the company are currently working with the Treasury Department to allow it to operate in the United States. Sprint Nextel supplies important equipment to the U.S. military and law enforcement agencies, and it offers a broad array of devices, systems, software and services to the private sector. We are concerned that Huawei's position as a supplier of Sprint Nextel could create substantial risk for U.S. companies and possibly undermine U.S. national security.

Huawei has a concerning history. The Iraq Survey Group reported that Huawei sold communications technology to Saddam Hussein's regime in possible violation of U.N. sanctions, and it also supplied the Taliban before its fall. Some reports indicate that this communications technology included fiber optic equipment used in Saddam Hussein's air defense network, which routinely fired on U.S. military aircraft.¹

And, according to press releases issued by the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in Iran, "Huawei has gained the trust and alliance of major [Iranian] governmental and private entities within a short period...[M]ilitary industries...are among other clients of this telecom giant."² That Huawei is such a leading presence in Iran, especially with military industries, suggests that under U.S. sanctions on Iran, Huawei should be prohibited from doing business with the U.S. government. Equally troubling is Huawei's reported "takeover of Iran's Telecom Market," and the close relationship this must therefore create with the Islamic

¹ Kelly Motz and Jordan Ritchie, "Sanctions Busting: Technology Two-Timing," *The Asian Wall Street Journal*, March 19, 2001.

² Economic and Commercial Counsellor's Office of the Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Islamic Republic of Iran. "Huawei Plans Takeover of Iran's Telecom Market." August 17, 2009.

Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC), which, reportedly, owns a controlling stake in the Telecommunications Company of Iran.³ As you know, the IRGC has been sanctioned by the United States government for its role in weapons of mass destruction proliferation. A Chinese company with such a leading role in Iran's economy, and close relationship with the IRGC, should not be able to do business in the U.S.

Huawei has also been accused of several violations of intellectual property rights, most notably in 2003 when Cisco sued the company in a U.S. court for copying its computer codes. In fact, these serial violations appear to have led Motorola to refuse to enter into a deeper business relationship with Huawei.

Most troubling, however, is the firm's reported relationship with China's People's Liberation Army (PLA). The firm's founder and current CEO, Ren Zhengfei, was a member of the PLA. The 2009 Department of Defense Report on the Military Power of the People's Republic of China states that "information technology companies, including Huawei...maintain close ties to the PLA and collaborate on R[esearch] & D[evelopment]." We have been informed that Huawei is the preferred provider of telecommunications products and services to the PLA and Chinese embassies. In addition to the close relationship between Huawei senior leadership and the PLA, press reports also suggest that a number of Huawei employees have direct ties to the PLA.

Given China's well documented focus on developing cyber warfare capabilities, Huawei's ties to the PLA have aroused concern in a number of other nations in which it does business. According to reports, British, French, Australian, and Indian intelligence agencies have either investigated Huawei or expressed concern that its products could facilitate remote hacking and thereby compromise the integrity of the telecommunications networks in their countries.^{4 5 6 7}

Huawei also has reportedly received substantial financial assistance from the Chinese government.^{8 9} In the past, this government assistance has helped it undercut its competitors and could provide the basis for its bid to supply Sprint Nextel. At worst, Huawei's becoming a major supplier of Sprint Nextel could present a case of a company, acting at the direction of and funded by the Chinese military, taking a critical place in the supply chain of the U.S. military, law enforcement, and private sector.

³ *The New York Times*, "IRGC Buys Majority Share of Iran Telecom." September 29, 2009.

⁴ "China Bugs India." *The Pioneer (India)* 16 May 2010, LexisNexis® Congressional; Accessed: 6/29/10

⁵ "Huawei's International Charm Offensive." *Intelligence Online* 10 June 2010, LexisNexis® Congressional; Accessed: 6/27/10

⁶ Alastair Jamieson. "Britain Could be Shut Down by Hackers from China, Intelligence Experts Warn." *The Daily Telegraph*, 29 Mar 2009 (<http://www.telegraph.co.uk/news/worldnews/asia/china/5072204/Britain-could-be-shut-down-by-hackers-from-China-intelligence-experts-warn.html>)

⁷ Michael Sainsbury. "NBN bid to Stretch China Ties." *The Australian* 8 April 2010 LexisNexis® Congressional; Accessed: 7/10/10

⁸ Study on the Future Opportunities and Challenges of EU-China Trade and Investment Relations, Study 5: ICT Equipment (http://trade.ec.europa.eu/doclib/docs/2007/february/tradoc_133307.pdf)

⁹ Terence P. Stewart. "China's Industrial Subsidies Study: High Technology" Trade Lawyers Advisory Group April 2007. <http://www.uscc.gov/researchpapers/2008/TLAG%20Study%20-%20China's%20Industrial%20Subsidies%20High%20Technology.pdf>

In view of these and other concerns about Huawei's activities and relationship with the Chinese military, we ask for your answers to the following questions:

- Does the United States government have unclassified information regarding Huawei's affiliation, if any, with the PLA? What does that information say about the affiliation/relationship, e.g., what control, if any, is exerted by the PLA on Huawei's operations?
- Is there any concern that Huawei, if it gained any measure of control over a U.S. contractor involved with sensitive U.S. government contracts, would present a national security threat for technology leakage or enhanced espionage against the United States? Please provide an unclassified response.
- Is the U.S. Treasury Department discussing or negotiating a deal to allow Huawei to acquire or invest in U.S. companies? What is the status of the negotiations? Will you agree to provide a briefing to Senators and their staffs on the present status?
- Has the Treasury Department included members of the intelligence community (IC) in its negotiations, if any, with Huawei? If yes, does the IC have a veto over any final negotiated product? Will you share with us and our staffs any IC analysis concerning the potential threat of Huawei obtaining any measure of control over a U.S. firm with sensitive contracts?
- What contracts with the Department of Defense (DOD) and the IC does Sprint Nextel have?
- Does Huawei currently supply companies with U.S. government contracts? If so, what are they?
- Have any goods provided to a U.S. government supplier by Huawei ever been found to contain suspect technology, such as intentional defects or "back doors" allowing remote entry?
- Please describe what, if any, *a priori* security review the General Services Administration conducts on technology (software or hardware) that the United States government purchases from overseas suppliers.
- Have U.S.-based employees of Huawei been granted security clearances by the U.S. government for access to classified information?
- Please describe in detail any export licenses currently in review, or approved in the past five years, between any U.S. firm and Huawei.
- Has the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), or National Security Agency (NSA) communicated with foreign intelligence agencies regarding their concerns, and vice versa, about Huawei's operations, affiliations and relationships?

Sincerely,



JON KYL
United States Senator



CHRISTOPHER S. BOND
United States Senator



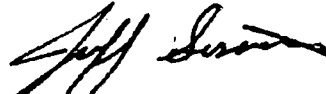
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August 6, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

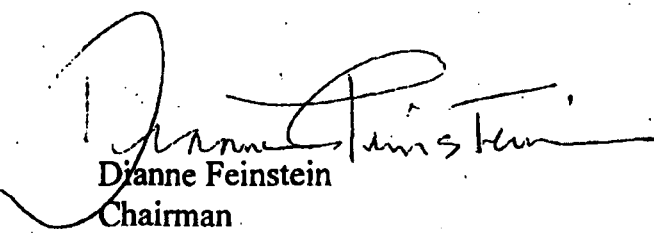
In view of the President's pledge this spring to seek ratification of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT) by the Senate, we request that the Intelligence Community (IC) update its previous National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) on the capability of the United States to monitor this treaty.

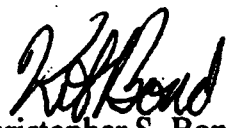
We believe this NIE should, at a minimum, include a review of the Intelligence Community's current and future capabilities to monitor compliance by signatory nations with the requirements of the CTBT; an assessment of whether treaty states can evade the CTBT and the ability of the IC to detect such evasions; and an appraisal of what treaty states could achieve when conducting tests designed to evade detection. While the previous analyses may have been comprehensive at the time they were conducted, additional subjects not included in those estimates may require analysis now to ensure a thorough product. To accomplish this, please consider for inclusion in the final estimate all requests for additional analysis made by Members of the Congress.

We ask that this NIE be completed within a year and be shared with the congressional intelligence, armed services, and foreign relations committees. If you or your staff have any questions concerning this request, please have them contact Dafna Hochman, of the Committee staff, at

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Sincerely,


Dianne Feinstein
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MARK R. WARNER
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United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-4606

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August 30, 2010

James R. Clapper
Director, National Intelligence
Office Of The Director Of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511-0001

Dear Director Clapper,

I recently received a briefing from VECTOR Technologies about an innovative technology that has applications in defeating data thefts. This particular technology can provide a secure environment for personal electronic devices. I would appreciate it if you or a member of your team could meet with VECTOR to hear about this technology.

Sincerely,



MARK R. WARNER
United States Senator

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September 16, 2010

The Honorable James R. Clapper, Jr.
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Clapper:

Equal access to information and personnel in the Executive Branch by both the majority and minority parties in Congress is a bedrock principle in our government. Whenever information is restricted to a limited number of members and/or staff due to classification, Committee jurisdiction, or other imperatives, such restrictions are (and should always be) imposed on a bipartisan basis. To favor one political party over another in the provision of information to the Congress is inimical to our national values and threatens the very nature of the collaborative relationship necessary between the Legislative and Executive Branches.

Accordingly, we are most disturbed by the report that the Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), citing your direction to him based on the objections of the Chair of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI), cancelled a previously scheduled appointment between one of his employees and the Vice Chairman of the SSCI and prohibited any contact with this employee until approval was granted, or conditions for contact with him were set, by the SSCI Chair. We are further alarmed by the response from DIA that, as a matter of routine, all minority member requests for information from the agency are conveyed to the majority for review.

We do not recognize any authority by majority members of the Congress to control or restrict access to Executive Branch employees or information to minority members of the Congress, particularly in the case of the SSCI where it is stipulated that the Chair and Vice Chair are to have equal access to information. We are unaware of any precedent or justification for such an action, one that we believe strikes at the heart of fair play with the Congress. Accordingly, we request that you immediately rescind your previous direction to the Director of the DIA in this matter and make available his employee to meet with the Vice Chairman,

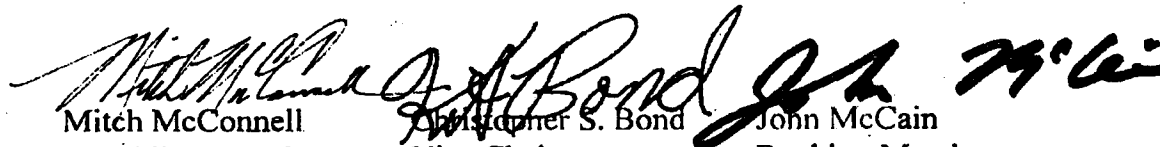
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The Honorable James R. Clapper, Jr.
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without restriction. We also ask that you commit to refraining from any action that favors one party of the Congress over another on any matter in the future.

This is an essential matter of principle that strikes at the heart of minority members' relationship with you and the entire Intelligence Community. We request your immediate action.

Sincerely,


Mitch McConnell Christopher S. Bond John McCain
Republican Leader Vice Chairman Ranking Member
Armed Services Committee

Cc: The Honorable Robert M. Gates
Secretary of Defense

Lt. General Ronald L. Burgess, Jr., USA
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

AUG 06 2009

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Hatch:

Thank you for your July 29 letter requesting my professional opinion of the potential impact of the proposed reductions to the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 budget request for the Cyber Security Data Center.

As background, the Cyber Security Data Center will provide space and power to satisfy near-term requirements that will exceed currently available capacity at the end of FY 2010. Unlike a traditional data center that provides large-scale storage capacity, the Camp Williams facility will host unique National Security Agency (NSA) computing systems. The data center will be constructed in two useful segments, with common infrastructure underlying both segments. The first \$969.5 million (\$169.5 million appropriated in FY 2009 and the \$800 million FY 2010 request) provides:

- Availability of 65 megawatts of in-coming power capacity;
- Common site infrastructure (e.g., facilities for generators, uninterrupted power supplies, and chilling) for both segments; and
- The first segment's data halls that will host equipment using up to 30 megawatts of power.

Acquiring up-front, sufficient site infrastructure capabilities to support both data center segments was determined to be the most cost-effective and lowest risk approach to meet the center's total requirements. It also avoids any potential disruption of mission operations during construction of the second segment. Funding to complete the second useful segment, which will host equipment using up to 35 megawatts of power, is being requested in FY 2011.

The House and Senate Military Construction Subcommittees have proposed a \$300 million and \$100 million reduction, respectively, to the FY 2010 data center request. Due to operational requirements, the data center must be available for occupancy in FY 2011. Under the House's funding level, NSA will not have sufficient funding to complete the data halls and procure sufficient site infrastructure to support both segments. Since schedule is paramount, NSA would have to re-direct infrastructure funds to the data hall. Therefore, the House-proposed \$300 million reduction precludes procuring both segments' site infrastructure simultaneously and would force the Administration to redesign and acquire the site infrastructure for each segment separately. This redesign would result in a projected \$130 million increase to the overall cost of the data center. While the Senate's funding level will require timing and scheduling adjustments, the original approach can remain intact. If any cut is sustained in

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch

conference, the Intelligence Community (IC) would be forced to restore the funds in the FY 2011 budget at the expense of other IC missions at a time when the IC is operating at a very high operational tempo to support military operations, sustain worldwide counterterrorism activities, and defend against increasing cyber attacks.

In the mark-up, the Committees stated their view that only \$500 million is necessary for FY 2010 based on projected FY 2010 expenditures. However, funding for the full contract value needs to be available for obligation before contracts for goods and services are initiated. We acknowledge that this acquisition has goods and services for which we will not receive invoices for completed efforts until FY 2011.

As Congress completes deliberations on the FY 2010 military construction budget request, we look forward to your support and engagement with your colleagues to avoid impaired mission and to mitigate cost growth. We would be pleased to provide additional details at a higher level of classification. If you have any questions, please contact my Director of Legislative Affairs, Kathleen Turner, on [redacted] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PRINCIPAL DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

MAR 11 2010

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

During my confirmation hearing, Chairman Feinstein asked for my observations and recommendations to improve understanding of foreign cultures in the Intelligence Community (IC). I understand your concerns and fully agree that the IC needs to make additional progress.

I would like to inform you of several specific initiatives that will assist in improving the IC's capability to foster a better understanding of foreign cultures:

- To improve cultural understanding, we will leverage the education and training programs already developed by the Department of Defense and the Military Services, such as the Human Terrain System effort. We have already made contact with the Afghanistan Studies Program at the University of Nebraska (Omaha) to begin sending IC personnel to their orientation course.
- The IC Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity (EEOD) Office has established an IC Affinity Network Organization that consists of nine IC-wide employee groups, including a group for Middle Eastern and North African employees. Best-in-class organizations use these groups in a number of productive ways to assist with recruiting, hiring, mentoring, career development and advancement, particular for diverse employees. The Office has sponsored a number of Colloquia to provide these groups with training in leadership, strategic planning, and communications.
- The Chief Human Capital Office (CHCO) and EEOD have developed a joint IC Heritage Strategy to recruit, hire, and retain first- and second-generation Americans. They have also designed a tool that will allow us to capture additional employee data on heritage, cultural background, and language across the IC.
- The CHCO has established an IC Heritage Community Liaison Council to provide input on outreach and recruitment efforts with key heritage communities and address areas of concern. The Council meets twice a year, with the most recent meeting

in September 2009. Representatives from key organizations within the Arabic, Afghani, Pakistani, Chinese and other communities participated.

- The IC will work to expand attendance at courses such as the Cross-Cultural Communications courses under development at the National Security Agency. Personnel from the National Intelligence University Foreign Language Program Office assisted in the development of the pilot course.

As you are aware, learning and understanding a foreign language also greatly assists with understanding a culture. In light of this:

- We are doubling the English Heritage Language Speakers scholarships from 30 scholars a year to 60 by 2011. The EHLS program selects native and heritage speakers who study critical analytical thinking and English language proficiency at Georgetown University. The additional scholars will primarily support analysis of Afghanistan and Pakistan. These graduates are an important source of cultural understanding, diversity and talent for the IC, especially for the Open Source community.

- The Congressionally-supported STARTALK program to provide summer language and cultural training programs for elementary and secondary education students and teachers is very popular. We taught over 5000 students and 1400 teachers last summer. We are working hard to expand this program from the 34 current states to all 50. I expect demand will for these programs will increase.

- We now have nearly three dozen universities as part of our Centers for Academic Excellence program to facilitate national security and language studies. 170 students received scholarships last year. Over 350 have studied abroad since the program started and have brought back with them a much better understanding of the cultures they were exposed to.

- We support the Defense Intelligence Enterprise Civilian Foreign Area Specialist (CIVFAS) effort, which seeks to develop a cadre of intelligence personnel with a deep understanding of the languages and cultures on a variety of countries and areas.

Finally, we will keep the issue you raised, along with the related issue of language capabilities, under regular review by the IC Deputies Executive Committee, which I chair. We greatly appreciate your continuing support for the IC foreign programs, and I look forward to working with you to improve our cultural understanding capability across the IC.

Sincerely,



David C. Gompert

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

August 12, 2009.

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

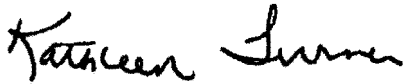
Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

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The ODNI's Vacancies Reform Act contact is [redacted] She can be reached [redacted] (b)(3)
at [redacted]

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

August 12, 2009

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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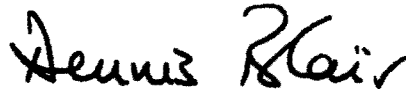
The Honorable Norm Dicks
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman :

Congratulations on behalf of the men and women of the Intelligence Community for assuming the Chairmanship of the House Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Defense. Your knowledge of the intelligence enterprise and unwavering support for our people and programs gives us confidence that we have a strong partner in protecting the American people and informing our policymakers.

I look forward to working closely with you to meet the future needs of our Community. We have discussed many times the threats faced by our nation and the plans and policies we must put in place that will aid in countering them. I look forward to continuing these exchanges with you and the entire Subcommittee.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6250

August 20, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Admiral Blair:

On Tuesday, September 15, 2009, the Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia will hold a hearing entitled: *Security Clearance Reform: Moving Forward on Modernization*. The hearing will begin at 2:30 p.m. in room 342 of the Dirksen Senate Office Building. I invite you or your designee to testify at this hearing.

This will be the fifth in a series of Subcommittee hearings on the federal government's security clearance process. The hearing will update the Subcommittee on progress in reducing the backlog of security clearance investigations, and will focus on new clearance reforms set to be outlined by the Administration in the coming weeks. We ask that you discuss efforts underway by the Administration in improving the security clearance process. We would also like you to discuss the challenges in assuring congressional oversight of the security clearance process.

Committee rules require your prepared statement be submitted 48 hours in advance of the hearing. Accordingly, we ask that you submit your statement via email to Mr. Benjamin Rhodeside, Subcommittee Clerk, at benjamin_rhodeside@hsgac.senate.gov no later than 2:30 p.m. on Friday, September 11, 2009. If desired, you can also provide hard copies of your prepared statement for those in attendance at the hearing by bringing them with you the day of the hearing or delivering them in advance to Mr. Rhodeside in 605 Hart Senate Office Building. While your complete written testimony will be included as part of the hearing record, the Subcommittee requests that all oral testimony be limited to five minutes.

Should you have any questions regarding the hearing, please have a member of your staff contact Mr. Evan Cash on the staff of Senator Akaka at [redacted] or Ms. Tara Shaw on the staff of Senator Voinovich at [redacted]

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Sincerely,



Daniel K. Akaka
Chairman
Subcommittee on Oversight of
Government Management, the
Federal Workforce, and the
District of Columbia



George V. Voinovich
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Oversight of
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: (U) Congressional Notification: Office of the Director of
National Intelligence (ODNI) Senior Appointment

(U) Summary: The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) has appointed Jacques Grimes to be Assistant Deputy DNI for HUMINT. Mr. Grimes reports to the Deputy DNI for Collection. In support of, and in concert with, the National HUMINT Manager, Mr. Grimes is charged with strengthening the HUMINT collection enterprise by ensuring greater communication, coordination, collaboration and integration between HUMINT organizations. Mr. Grimes will also interact with Intelligence Community technical entities that enable HUMINT operations. Consistent with ODNI governance and vision, his office oversees and coordinates National HUMINT Community actions with appropriate defense, domestic law enforcement, homeland security, and foreign partners to expand and shape HUMINT capabilities.

(U) Background: Mr. Grimes brings to the position extensive HUMINT experience having served as a HUMINT collection officer for over twenty-three years in both headquarters and foreign field assignments. He joined the U.S. Army's Military Intelligence Excepted Career Program in 1986 and served as a Intelligence Officer in HUMINT collection in Germany until 1992. Mr. Grimes deployed to Bosnia in support of Operation Joint Guard and a special access joint task force mission in 1996. In addition to several short and long-term overseas TDY assignments, he went to Baghdad, Iraq, in 2004 in support of Operation Freedom where he served as Director of Operations for the Iraq Survey Group under Generals Keith Dayton and Joe McMennamin. He most recently served as Chief, Office of HUMINT Campaigns and HUMINT Targeting within the Directorate for Human Intelligence at the Defense Intelligence Agency.

(U) Over the course of his career, Mr. Grimes has worked and resided in Panama, Scotland, Malta, Trinidad, Tobago, France, Belgium, Zaire, Tunisia, Denmark, Iraq, Bosnia-Herzegovina, and Germany. Mr. Grimes speaks fluent French and German, and limited Arabic, Spanish and Italian. Mr. Grimes holds a B.A. degree in Political Science and Linguistics from St. John's University, Collegeville, Minnesota, and studied Romance Languages and Linguistics as a graduate student at Columbia University, New York.

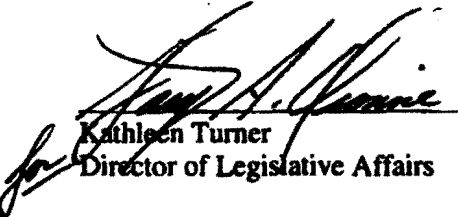
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(U) Mr. Grimes looks forward to working with the congressional oversight committees.
If you have any questions on this matter, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs, on

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Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

27 August 2009
Date

Distribution:

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
The Honorable John P. Murtha
The Honorable C.W. Bill Young
The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
The Honorable Thad Cochran



March 17, 2010

The Honorable Carl Levin
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable John McCain
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
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Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators:

In response to questions raised at an interagency briefing of the Senate Armed Services Committee on March 3, 2010, Chairman Levin asked agency representatives to provide a letter to the Armed Services Committee and the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence describing the role of the Intelligence Community in the review of Guantanamo detainees pursuant to Executive Order 13492. Specifically, the Chairman asked whether the Intelligence Community, including the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), concurred in the decisions to approve the transfer of certain detainees to countries outside the United States.

Executive Order 13492 placed responsibility for the review of Guantanamo detainees with six agencies—the Department of Justice, Department of Defense, Department of State, Department of Homeland Security, Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI), and Joint Chiefs of Staff. The interagency nature of the review was designed to ensure that all relevant viewpoints—including military, intelligence, homeland security, diplomatic, and law enforcement—were fully considered and that information informing the decisions was consolidated from across the government. After carefully considering each case, the six agencies reached unanimous agreement on disposition determinations for all 240 detainees subject to the review.

Consistent with the framework set forth in the Executive Order, the Attorney General, as the coordinator of the review, established the Guantanamo Review Task Force in February 2009.

The Task Force was staffed with career professionals, including intelligence analysts and officers from the CIA, the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC), DIA, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), DHS, and the Department of Defense's Criminal Investigation Task Force (CITF); federal prosecutors; FBI agents; State Department representatives; senior military officers, military prosecutors; and national security lawyers. Over 100 staff members served on the Task Force over the course of the review, with a maximum of approximately 65 serving at any one time.

Task Force members reviewed relevant information and formulated recommendations for each detainee's disposition based on evaluations of the threat posed by the detainee, the ability of potential receiving countries to mitigate such a threat, the feasibility of prosecuting the detainee, and the legal basis for any continued detention under authority granted by Congress in 2001. Task Force members considered the totality of available information and gave careful consideration to the credibility and reliability of the information. The guiding principle from the Executive Order was to ensure that the disposition of each detainee was consistent with the national security and foreign policy interests of the United States and the interests of justice.

Members of the Task Force representing each of the six agencies drafted, reviewed, and discussed recommendations for transfer or continued detention, while prosecution recommendations were drafted primarily by prosecutors and investigative agents from the Departments of Justice and Defense. Threat assessments of each detainee were developed independent of legal or prosecutorial considerations and were based on all available information. Full and candid discussions were strongly encouraged; indeed, they were the model for the Task Force's deliberations. Task Force recommendations, which contained detailed classified assessments of each detainee, were submitted on a rolling basis to senior-level decision-makers.

Beginning in March 2009, an interagency Review Panel met on a weekly basis to consider the recommendations of the Task Force. The Review Panel was composed of senior-level officials from each of the six agencies identified in the Executive Order. Review Panel members were delegated authority from their respective agency heads ("Principals"). Senior officials from the CIA and FBI regularly attended the Review Panel meetings to further inform the decision-making process.

The Review Panel made disposition determinations only by unanimous agreement. Each agency identified in the Executive Order had an equal voice, and no determinations were made over the objection of any of the six agencies. The Review Panel's discussions over the course of more than 40 weekly meetings were highly deliberative. Questions were raised, and concerns were discussed in detail. At times, Panel members requested additional information before further considering the disposition of certain detainees, and these responses were factored into discussions as determinations were reached. The Review Panel achieved consensus and reached unanimous determinations for the large majority of detainees. When Review Panel members did not reach consensus, cases were referred to the Principals. All cases referred to the Principals also ultimately garnered unanimous agreement.

The Intelligence Community was fully represented at all stages of the detainee review process. Approximately 15 career intelligence analysts from the CIA, NCTC, and DIA served

on the Task Force over the course of the review (in addition to intelligence analysts and officers representing DHS, FBI, and CTF). These analysts played a critical role in representing the Intelligence Community and bringing to bear their analytic expertise and judgment. Their assessments of a detainee's threat level were a critical element of the Task Force's evaluations. To the extent an Intelligence Community representative on the Task Force disagreed with a recommendation on a particular detainee, the dissenting view was made known to the Review Panel or the Principals, as appropriate.

At the Review Panel, the Intelligence Community was represented by a senior official from ODNI whose views were informed by the intelligence analysts' work at the Task Force and by senior CIA and FBI officials who participated independently in Review Panel meetings. In all cases, if the Intelligence Community objected to a particular decision, ODNI had the ability to dissent from a Review Panel vote and elevate the decision to Principals.

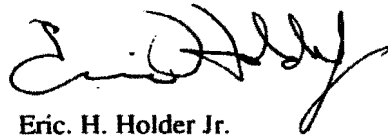
The DNI, as one of the six officials named in the Executive Order, was responsible for representing the Intelligence Community in this process. (As a component of the Department of Defense as well as the Intelligence Community, DIA also was represented at the Review panel and the Principal level by the Department of Defense and the Joint Chiefs of Staff.) After all of the deliberations described above, the DNI—either personally for cases considered by Principals or by delegation to the ODNI official on the Review Panel—agreed with the other five agencies on disposition determinations for all 240 detainees subject to the review. We attribute the ability to reach unanimous agreement in all 240 cases to the full and candid exchange of information and views at all levels throughout the review process.

We hope this information is helpful. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair



Eric. H. Holder Jr.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

March 30, 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Senate Select Committee
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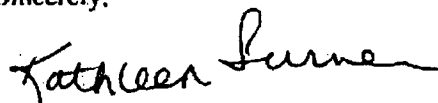
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Senate Select Committee
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United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Attached are the responses to Questions for the Record submitted to the Director of National Intelligence on 6 November 2009 following the 15 October 2009 hearing on covert action programs.

We regret the delay involved in providing a reply to the Committee. Please contact me if you have any further questions regard this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathleen Turner". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Kathleen" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Turner".

Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
NATIONAL COUNTERINTELLIGENCE EXECUTIVE
(ACTING)
WASHINGTON, DC 20505

August 31, 2009
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The Honorable John P. Murtha
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Young:

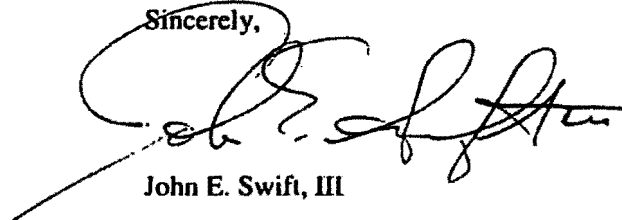
(U) As required by the fiscal year 1995 Intelligence Authorization Act, Public Law 103-359, Section 809, the President shall submit to the Congressional Intelligence Committees a report that details the threat to the United States industry of foreign industrial espionage. The report includes the number and identity of the threat, the industrial sectors and types of information and technology targeted, and the methods used to conduct such espionage.

(U) The President has delegated the responsibility for compiling this report to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence who has in turn assigned it to the Office of the National Counterintelligence Executive (ONCIX). The ONCIX has completed both the classified and unclassified version of the report entitled the *2008 Annual Report to Congress on Foreign Economic Collection and Industrial Espionage* and has attached them to this letter.

(U) If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact Collin Lee in the Office of Legislative Affairs at -----

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Sincerely,



John E. Swift, III

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Chairman Murtha
Ranking Member Young

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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
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AUG 31 2009

The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hoekstra:

(U) The attached August 25 statement by the Director of National Intelligence regarding the importance of Intelligence Community leadership commitment to and active support of diversity is provided for your information.

(U) The ODNI staff looks forward to continuing its dialogue with the Committee on equal employment opportunity and diversity issues. Please contact me at if you would like further information on this or any other matter.

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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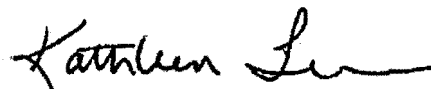
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE FOR COLLECTION
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

19 April, 2010

The Honorable Orrin G. Hatch
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Hatch:

Thank you for your letter of 18 March 2010, inquiring about the Intelligence Community's use of text extraction tools provided by the Utah-based company Attensity.

The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) started investing in Attensity in 2002, but stopped using their products due to labor intensive training requirements. Since CIA's initial investment, Attensity revised their software and developed a more complete and less labor intensive mode of extraction. CIA components thoroughly reviewed the revised technology and determined it had not matured to the point that it could be effectively utilized within existing resource restraints. In fact, the CIA piloted the software in 2008, but identified continued difficulties with Attensity's customer service that could not be resolved. Attensity was recently purchased by another company, and the CIA is evaluating whether their new products will meet their needs.

It was a pleasure to meet with you last month. I appreciate your continuous support for the Intelligence Community. If you have further questions on this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,



Thomas G. Bell II

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE FOR ACQUISITION AND TECHNOLOGY AND
DIRECTOR OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
AND SENIOR ACQUISITION EXECUTIVE
Washington, DC 20511

APR 30 2010

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Eshoo,

Thank you for taking the time to engage in this very important issue and for hosting the meeting with Ms. Catz and me.

Please know that I have the utmost respect for our partners on the Hill and in the private sector. Pursuant to our discussions, we have provided Ms. Catz the Oracle enterprise license proposal, dated 3 March 2010, as a basis for our follow-up conversation. We have also supplied the list of IC enterprise concerns which have resulted in protracted negotiations.

We are committed to resolving ensuing discussions rapidly and evaluating Oracles' offer from a cost savings perspective.

I will provide you an update following next Wednesday's conference call.

Sincerely,


Dawn C. Meyerriecks

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 26, 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your February 9, 2010 letter soliciting Executive Branch comment on S.2834, the *Security Clearance Modernization and Reporting Act of 2009* ("the Act"). Much has changed since Congress passed the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (IRTPA), which provided the initial statutory basis to drive timeliness and consistency improvements in the security clearance process across Government. The Office of the DNI (ODNI) appreciates the Committee's continued support of the security clearance reform efforts, including potential use of legislation to support our goals.

The ODNI appreciates the Act's intent, its recognition of the importance of the Performance Accountability Council (PAC); its emphasis on the Information Technology Strategy as a critical component of reform efforts; and the provision of Congressionally-desired metrics comprising broader measures and increased fidelity to collect and report a more accurate overview of reform progress. We are concerned, however, that the Act does not recognize and build on the significant progress made to date, may limit the flexibility and development of the PAC, and requires duplicative reporting.

We note that the significant improvements in timeliness and streamlined policy and process successes gained to date are likely attributable to IRTPA's legislative foundation flexibly executed through a series of Executive Orders that updated, clarified and improved the reform effort over time. We agree that the reporting measures contained in the Act increase insight into performance in particular cases and sectors of the Government, and that these insights would be valuable for all reform stakeholders. The reform effort has been working on additional and expanded performance measures in partnership with the Government Accountability Office (GAO). We provided these measures to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee in June 2010.

Putting the PAC into statute, however, presents challenges. We recognize that the PAC has an important role and function as a strong, enduring body serving to align the security clearance and suitability functions across the Government. The PAC was established in Executive Order and has, to date, provided an excellent forum for reform effort coordination, security and suitability alignment, and implementation planning and tracking. The PAC's role and activities have evolved as the reform effort has switched from a focus on planning to an emphasis on implementation, and we are concerned that a statutory requirement directing the PAC would constrict its future flexibility and evolution.

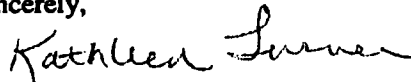
The Act calls for a *Strategic Framework for Reform* and we believe the reform effort met this requirement in its February 2010 *Security and Suitability Process Reform Strategic Framework* document (attached). This document presents the reform effort's mission, strategic goals, approach, key deliverables, performance measures, external factors, roles and responsibilities, and long term funding requirements.

The Act's prescriptive requirements for an Information Technology Strategy would, in effect, dictate what that strategy is, and would limit the Administration's ability to alter the strategy response to evolving Administration priorities, organizational structure and technology advancement. Legislating in this area may limit continued quality and technology improvement going forward. We believe that further dialogue is needed to ensure we share a common understanding of congressional intent and a clear articulation of reform activity in this area.

While we support the goals of the Act, we believe that legislation in this area is not necessary. The reform effort is working well and is producing results. We and our reform effort partners in the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), Department of Defense (DoD) and Office of Management and Budget (OMB), welcome the opportunity to meet with your staff to ensure we provide the Committee with the information it needs to appropriately execute its oversight responsibilities and to move reform efforts forward in a direction consistent with Congressional intent.

Thank you for the opportunity to present our views. The Office of Management and Budget has advised us that from the perspective of the Administration's program, there is no objection to the submission of this letter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kathleen Turner".

Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Daniel K. Akaka
The Honorable George V. Voinovich

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your letter of August 6, 2009 requesting that the Intelligence Community (IC) update the previous National Intelligence Estimate (NIE) on the capability of the IC to monitor the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT). We will move ahead on updating the NIE, with the intention of completing this effort within a year, as you requested. We anticipate the NIE will cover the topics outlined in your letter: the IC's current and future capabilities to monitor compliance by signatory nations with the requirements of the CTBT, an assessment of whether treaty states can evade the CTBT and the ability of the IC to detect such evasions, and an appraisal of what treaty states could achieve when conducting tests designed to evade detection. We look forward to working with the Congress on this issue.

If you have any additional questions on this matter, please contact Kathleen Turner,
Director of Legislative Affairs, on [redacted]

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Sincerely,



John F. Kimmons
Lieutenant General, USA

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United States Senate
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September 4, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:




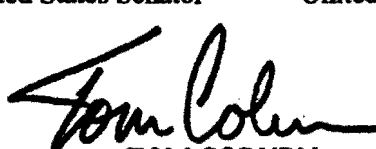
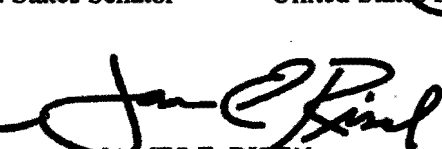
In addition to other matters you have been requested to consider related to the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT), we also request you provide a NIC Intelligence Assessment (IA) concerning any and all risks to national security information that could result from on-site inspections requested under the treaty of—

1. the Los Alamos National Laboratory;
2. the Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory;
3. the Sandia National Laboratory;
4. the Oak Ridge National Laboratory;
5. the Nevada Test Site;
6. the Naval Reactors Facility; and
7. a facility of a branch of the Armed Forces located in the United States or in a foreign country.

We recommend you work with the national laboratories and the Departments of Energy and Defense in completing this assessment.

Should you have any questions regarding these important matters related to the potential ratification of the treaty, please contact us or have your staff contact Tim Morrison, of Sen. Kyl's staff, at (202) 224-4521.

Sincerely,

 JON KYL United States Senator	 MITCH MCCONNELL United States Senator	 SAXBY CHAMBLISS United States Senator
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AUG 17 2010

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
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Dear Ms. Eshoo,

I wanted to provide you a short update on where we are with regard to the Intelligence Community/Oracle licensing discussion.

- On Tuesday, 10 Aug 2010, the Intelligence Community's Deputies Executive Committee approved the Office of the DNI's plan to pursue negotiations jointly with DoD.
- DoD and the IC have agreed that because of their communities' interdependencies, a single contracting vehicle with common licensing terms and conditions should be developed for our combined use.
- The United States Army will act as the Executive Agent for the combined DoD/IC procurement vehicle.
- The Army/DoD/IC team has sufficient community input to ensure the proposed contract terms and conditions adequately address government requirements.

We are in regular discussions with Oracle leadership and they are current on our progress and our plans. We are committed to resolving these negotiations as quickly as possible and will ensure that DoD, IC and Oracle leadership remain engaged.

Sincerely,



Dawn C. Meyerriecks

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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AUG 27 2010

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
Permanent Select Committee
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Dear Representative Eshoo:

Thank you for your July 21, 2010 letter and for your kind words of support as I assume the DNI position. In my experience over the years, GAO has performed useful assessments of government programs, to include Department of Defense management of intelligence programs supporting the warfighter. Traditionally, however, the GAO has not delved into intelligence sources, methods, substantive analysis, and tradecraft—those areas, we believe, are the exclusive province of the intelligence oversight committees themselves. Over the coming months, I look forward to working with you and the Members of the HPSCI to develop a way ahead to accomplish effective oversight that accommodates the needs of both the Executive and Legislative branches.

I am confident that through our partnership, we can strengthen and improve our intelligence capabilities.

Sincerely,


James R. Clapper

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

September 4, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

As you know, on August 6th Senators Feinstein and Bond urged you to instruct the Intelligence Community to update its previous National Intelligence Estimate on the capability of the United States to monitor the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT). In their letter, our colleagues wrote:

While the previous analyses may have been comprehensive at the time they were conducted, additional subjects not included in those estimates may require analysis now to ensure a thorough product. To accomplish this, please consider for inclusion in the final estimate all requests for additional analysis made by Members of Congress.

We request that the following specific assessments be included in the new NIE to be submitted to Congress by August 2010:

1. An assessment of the nature and extent of the nuclear weapons maintenance and modernization activities since 1991 of all foreign countries known to possess such weapons, including assessments of—
 1. any nuclear testing activities that may have produced nuclear yield used to maintain or modernize such weapons, or develop new nuclear weapons capabilities; and
 2. the challenges associated with monitoring such activities.
2. An assessment of the Russian and Chinese interpretations of their obligations with regard to nuclear testing under the CTBT, based on agreements and understandings reached at the time of the treaty negotiations and intelligence gathered concerning nuclear weapons related activities by these two nations since the treaty was opened for signature on September 24, 1996.
3. An assessment of the ability of the International Monitoring System (IMS) of the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO) to detect any activity by a signatory to the treaty that is potentially militarily significant (in that such activity could assist a foreign country in maintaining the reliability of its nuclear weapons, modernizing its nuclear weapons, or developing nuclear weapons with new or different military capabilities) and involves the release of any nuclear yield.
4. An assessment of the maximum nuclear yields that could be concealed (including through use of known evasive techniques like decoupling and containerization) at the known or suspected test site(s) of Russia, China, India, Pakistan, France, and North Korea, and the likely test site(s) that would be used by Iran.

5. An assessment of the level and sufficiency of the cooperation of China and Russia in conducting seismic monitoring near the respective known nuclear test sites of each of those countries.
6. An assessment of the types of information a suspected violator of the treaty could conceal by exercising the right to create privileged zones, if an on-site inspection were ordered.
7. An assessment of the extent to which China, India, Iran, North Korea, Pakistan, Russia, and Syria utilize techniques similar in concept to the stockpile stewardship tools utilized by the United States, including computer simulation, and of the possibility that such countries will benefit from information derived from the declassification of United States nuclear information during the period from 1989 to 2009.
8. A comparison between the capabilities of the IMS and the United States' national technical means to collect and analyze information related to nuclear weapons programs in China, Iran, North Korea, and Russia and compliance with the treaty.
9. An assessment of the aging of the IMS and United States' national technical means used to monitor compliance with the Treaty and the impact on collection of necessary information if they are not modernized or replaced.
10. An assessment of the number of foreign countries that have developed or sought a nuclear weapons capability since 1991 and an analysis of the reasons that those countries did so.

Should you have any questions regarding these important matters related to the potential ratification of the treaty, please contact us or have your staff contact Tim Morrison, of Sen. Kyl's staff, at (202) 224-4521.

Sincerely,



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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
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Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share with you my letter to President Obama urging him to convene a bipartisan group of well-respected, nationally known figures, for the purpose of supporting the execution of the new Afghanistan strategy being developed by our commanders in the field in its initial stages and assessing how it is going and what resources are needed in the months ahead on a continuing basis.

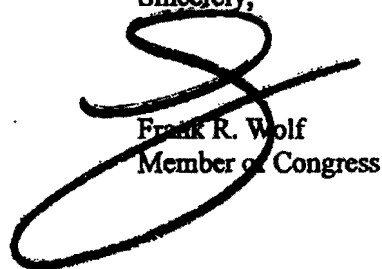
This team could reinvigorate national confidence in the war effort and move us toward a shared mission in a war that was not of our own making, but which we cannot afford to lose.

I also urged the President to make a nationally televised address on the administration's plan for Afghanistan reminding the American public why we are there and what is at stake if we were to withdraw. With public support diminishing, time is running out. The president must act swiftly.

I hope you find this information helpful.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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31 Aug 10

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Senator Feinskin and Senator Bond:

- An addendum to this memo -
For my part, your concern about IC facilities is well placed. As one of a number of organizational changes I plan to make to the ODNI staff is assigning more formal responsibility here for IC facilities - their usage, condition, leasing, recapitalization, costs, etc.

Respectfully,
Jim

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September 18, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

The Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence will hold an open hearing on the Government Accountability Office report on Personnel Security Clearance Reform on Thursday, October 1, 2009. We invite you or your designee to testify at this open session.

The Subcommittee has been conducting oversight into efforts to reform the security clearance process. We have been concerned that the existing security clearance system is riddled with inefficiencies and is based on a cold-war era process. The previous Administration made some progress establishing a roadmap to reform. We are eager to hear what steps the current Administration has made towards implementing that roadmap.

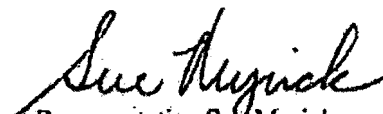
The Subcommittee will also be soliciting the views of the Government Accountability Office, which has done outstanding work in evaluating the security clearance system, identifying problems, and assessing reform efforts.

Please provide your statement for the record by September 25, 2009. Oral testimony should be limited to ten minutes. Questions regarding this hearing may be directed to Ms. Micke Eoyang, Subcommittee Staff Director, at 202-225-7690.

Sincerely,



Representative Anna G. Eshoo
Chairwoman
Subcommittee on
Intelligence Community Management



Representative Sue Myrick
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on
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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

SEP 18 2010

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Republican Leader
United States Senate

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate

The Honorable John McCain
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate

Dear Leader McConnell, Vice Chairman Bond and Ranking Member McCain:

This letter is in response to your September 16, 2010 letter to me regarding the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) employee, detailed to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) for a one year assignment supporting an SSCI study.

I agree wholeheartedly that the Intelligence Community must always operate on a bipartisan basis and never favor one political party over another in the provision of information to the Congress. That is the ethos of the Intelligence Community.

The DIA employee was detailed to the SSCI, at SSCI request, to support SSCI work and as such, the individual was working and operating as an SSCI staffer for the one-year assignment, not as an Intelligence Community officer. Any discussion SSCI Members would like to have with him about his committee work is a committee issue, not an Intelligence Community issue. If Vice Chairman Bond or any other SSCI member would like to talk with the DIA analyst about things other than his committee work, then we will certainly consider that request as we would all such requests. However, we understand that Vice Chairman Bond wants to talk with him in his role as a committee staffer, and as such, that is a matter for the committee to address.

If Intelligence Community officers, detailed to support Congressional requirements, are put in the middle of committee disagreements, we may not be able to support such requests in the future. I respect and require Congressional oversight of intelligence and I assure you that the Intelligence Community will always operate on a bipartisan basis.

Sincerely,


James R. Clapper

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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SEP 20 2010

The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
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Dear Ranking Member Hoekstra:

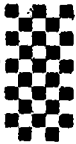
Thank you for your letter of July 30, 2010 to Acting Director Gompert requesting unredacted Guantanamo Review Task Force Recommendation Worksheets on Mohammed Mustafa Sohail Bahazada (ISN 1008), Mohammed Hasan al-Odaini (ISN 681) and on other detainees currently held at Guantanamo. You have also requested any documents evidencing dissent or disagreement with the decision to release or transfer any detainee who has been released or transferred since the formation of the Guantanamo Review Task Force.

We are providing to the Committee the interagency Guantanamo Review Task Force threat analyses consistent with Section 3011(a) of PL 111-212, the Supplemental Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2010. We also are including additional information on the detainees such as biographical assessments and potential destination country evaluations. The material redacted from the Worksheets consists of deliberative process materials relating to the possible prosecution of the detainees and their *habeas* proceedings, sensitive sources, diplomatic exchanges, interagency Task Force recommendations as well as names of federal government employees. Redactions of the material were made to protect the confidentiality of deliberations and to ensure that decision makers, including Executive Branch Principals, have the unvarnished recommendations of those who participate in the detainee review process.

I appreciate your interest in the disposition of detainees at Guantanamo Bay and look forward to working with you over the coming months.

Sincerely,


James R. Clapper



Fax Transmission
UNITED STATES SENATE
U.S. SENATOR KIT BOND

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Date 9-18-2009

To The Honorable Dennis C. Blair

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From [Redacted], Sen. Kit Bond

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Comments:

The invitation is also in the "snail mail." Please call me with any questions. Thanks!

* Please contact Senator Bond's office if you have any problems with this transmittal. Thank you.

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*Please join
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Bond:

Thank you for your letter dated August 18, 2010, expressing your concerns regarding risk to our telecommunications industry. To address the questions you have raised, we are working with relevant U.S. departments and agencies, drawing on their respective authorities, capabilities, and expertise. We will be contacting your staff very shortly to schedule a briefing.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Blair,

I am writing to express my concern about the military and political power of the Lebanese terrorist group Hezbollah.

As you know, Hezbollah receives substantial funding from the Government of Iran. After its July 2006 confrontation with Israel, Hezbollah has by some accounts been rapidly rearming, possibly to its pre-2006 level. The July explosion of an alleged arms dump in south Lebanon is a further indication arms may be flowing into the area.

This has occurred despite the presence in southern Lebanon of an enhanced force of UN peacekeepers. On August 27th, 2009, the United Nations Security Council extended the mandate of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL), despite serious concerns – from both Israel and NATO members – that its presence has not prevented such rearmament. This should be cause for grave concern to the United States, and also cause for action.

Certain financial restrictions on Hezbollah are already in place. Hezbollah is listed as a Foreign Terrorist Organization by the State Department and designated under E.O. 13224, among other sanctions. However, Hezbollah is not recognized as a terrorist organization by the European Union, many individual European countries, and most of the rest of the world. And though it receives substantial funding from Iran, Hezbollah also raises money openly in those countries where it is legal. If the US is to reduce the military capacity of Hezbollah, it must start with the group's economic base.

I thus request that you provide me with your assessment of:

- A breakdown, country-by-country (excluding Iran), from which Hezbollah draws the majority of its financial support, and (if necessary to indicate a trend) data from the past five years.
- The 10 non-Iranian entities which enter into the estimated highest-value financial or business relationships with Hezbollah, in those countries where the group is legal.

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- The 10 non-Iranian entities which enter into the estimated highest-value financial or business relationships with organizations indirectly controlled by Hezbollah – such as al-Manar – in those countries where the group is legal.

The term Hezbollah refers to those entities named under the Hizballah entry on the Treasury Department's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons list, and also includes the group's associated charities, organizations, and media outlets.

I understand your response may be classified. I respectfully look forward to your answer within three weeks.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Johanns". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Mike" and last name "Johanns" clearly distinguishable.

Mike Johanns
United States Senator



The Honorable Jim Bunning
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Bunning:

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FRANK R. WOLF
TENTH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

September 23, 2009

Dear Admiral Blair:

Thank you for meeting with me earlier this week. I enjoyed visiting the Liberty Crossings Facility and being briefed by you and your staff.

In regard to discussions about the issue of access from your facility to the Beltway, please have your staff contact Cindy Klapmust in my office at 202-225-5136 and we can set up a meeting with VDOT.

Also, here is a list of a few of my House colleagues that I think would benefit by coming out to your office: Howard Berman, Paul Broun, Kay Granger, Sue Myrick, Ed Royce, John Shadegg, and Bill Shuster.

Thanks again and best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: Congressional Notification: Designation of National
Counterintelligence Executive as Director of National
Counterintelligence and Establishment of Associate Deputy
Director of National Counterintelligence for Cyber

(U) On September 17, 2009 we notified you of the selection of Mr. Robert Bryant as the new National Counterintelligence Director. As a core intelligence mission, the DNI has also designated Mr. Bryant as the Director of National Counterintelligence (DNCI), thus integrating the DNCI more fully into the intelligence process. He will oversee and integrate a consistent, comprehensive, and collaborative effort across the federal government, employing both offensive and defensive CI measures to protect U.S. interests against foreign entities, violent extremists, cyber intruders, and criminal organizations. The DNCI will lead the CI community, serving both the policymaker and the operator, detecting insider threats, penetrating foreign services, integrating CI with cyber, and assuring the national security community's supply chain from foreign exploitation.

(U) One of the most significant counterintelligence challenges is cybersecurity. As such, the DNI has created the position of Associate Deputy Director of National Counterintelligence for Cyber. The ODNI will notify the Committees promptly once this position is filled.

(U) Please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at if you require additional information. (b)(3)

Kathleen Turner
Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

September 30, 2009
Date

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United States Senate
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Dear Director Blair,

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October 8, 2009

The Honorable Michael E. Leiter
Director
National Counterterrorism Center
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Leiter:

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence intends to hold a closed hearing concerning the reauthorization of expiring provisions of the 2001 USA PATRIOT Act. The hearing will take place on October 21, 2009, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. in the Committee's hearing room at HVC-304, U.S. Capitol.

We invite you to testify in this closed hearing. Please inform us by Tuesday, October 13, 2009, regarding your availability.

In accordance with Committee rules, we request that written statements be submitted 48 hours in advance of the hearing. Please limit your oral testimony to five minutes. Any questions on matters related to this hearing may be addressed to [redacted] the Committee's Deputy Chief Counsel, who can be reached at (202) 225-7690.

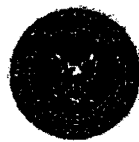
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Sincerely,


Silvestre Reyes
Chairman

cc: The Honorable Peter Hockstra
Ranking Member

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The Honorable James Inhofe
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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October 8, 2009

Mr. David Shedd
Deputy Director of National Intelligence
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Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

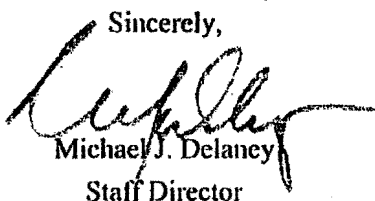
Dear Mr. Shedd:

Attached you will find questions for the record resulting from the October 1, 2009, hearing on Security Clearance Reform held by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management. This hearing featured testimony from OMB, OPM, ODNI, DOD, and GAO witnesses. A similar letter is being sent to all Administration witnesses who testified at the hearing.

Please provide the Committee with written answers to the attached questions to be entered into the record no later than Friday, October 23, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,


Michael J. Delaney
Staff Director

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United States Senate
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(ODNI) Director of Science and Technology

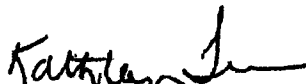
(U) The Director of National Intelligence (DNI) has appointed Ms. Dawn Meyerriecks as Director of Science and Technology, ODNI, effective October 14th, 2009, concurrent with her role as the Deputy Director of National Intelligence for Acquisition and Technology. This appointment fills an existing leadership vacancy in the Office of the DNI. Ms. Meyerriecks brings many years of experience in technology and operations management.

(U) Ms. Meyerriecks is the ideal leader to ensure strategic leadership in the development and application of technology solutions for the Intelligence Community. Recognized as one of government and industry's preeminent technology leaders, she was Infoworld's award winner for Chief Technology Officer, Government Sector in 2001, and for all of industry in 2002. Her leadership positions in commercial and government technology delivery organizations include Senior Vice President, Product Technology, AOL, LLC and Chief Technology Officer for the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA).

(U) Dr. Scott Sarlin will continue working with Ms. Meyerriecks as the Deputy Director for Science and Technology.

(U) Please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at if you require additional information.

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Director of Legislative Affairs

October 14, 2009
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October 19, 2009

Mr. David C. Gompert
c/o Ms. Kathleen Turner
Director
Office of Legislative Affairs
Office of Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Mr. Gompert:

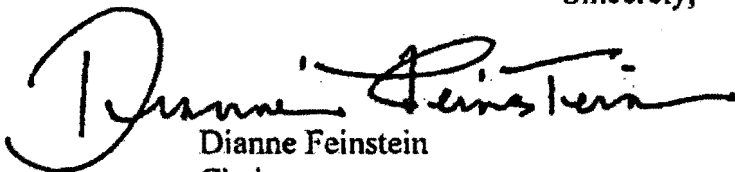
To follow up on your confirmation hearing, please find enclosed our Committee's Questions for the Record for your completion. We ask that your responses be submitted to the Committee as promptly as possible.

The Committee hopes to schedule a vote on your nomination soon after we receive your responses.

Any questions you have concerning the Committee's handling of your nomination may be referred to Mr. David Grannis, Staff Director, at

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Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
Chairman



Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

Enclosure

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

SEP 23 2010

The Honorable George V. Voinovich
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Voinovich:

On behalf of the men and women in the Intelligence Community, please accept my deepest gratitude for your service to the Nation.

I especially would like to thank you for your leadership to bring about transformation of the security clearance process. We have shared a common goal of improving the process and timeliness. The progress we have made to date can be attributed in large part to your leadership and attention to this issue. As Director of National Intelligence, I will continue to work toward our shared goal of removing the Department of Defense Personnel Security Clearance Program from the Government Accountability Office High Risk List. I am confident we will achieve this important goal.

It has been an honor to work with you over the years. Thank you again for your support and I wish you the best in your future endeavors.

Sincerely,


James R. Clapper



September 23, 2010

The Honorable Jon Kyl
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Kyl:

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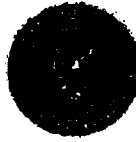
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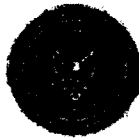
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October 21, 2009

The Honorable Todd Russell Platts
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Dear Representative Platts:

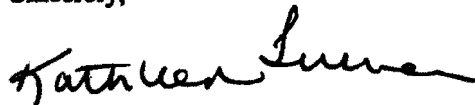
Thank you for your October 9 letter to the Director of National Intelligence regarding the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of your constituent Rory Walsh.

In response to your letter our FOIA staff contacted Mr. Wash, received additional information on his request via fax, and is addressing his request with the assistance of other Office of the Director of National Intelligence elements.

Please contact the office of Legislative Affairs at if you have any questions regarding this matter.

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Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs



DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE

24 Sep 10

Dear Senator Rockefeller

I am compelled to write a note to thank you for your most generous remarks during our session yesterday. I very much appreciate what you said. And, if I may so, you have very accurately captured my approach, and my attitude about this job. It is, I can tell you, very reassuring to know that I have at least one staunch ally in the Senate.

Thanks again — and all the best
Sincerely & with respect
Jim

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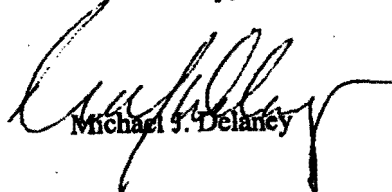
Mrs. Kathleen Turner
Director, Office of Legislative Affairs
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Kathleen,

Attached are questions requiring follow up from the October 21, 2009 briefing on
- Mexico.

Please provide the Committee with your written answers to the attached questions
by November 20, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Curtis Flood at
(202) 225-7690.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Delaney

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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September 27, 2010

The Honorable John A. Boehner
Minority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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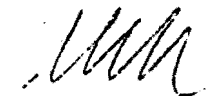
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October 28, 2009

Admiral Dennis Cutler Blair USN (Ret)
Director
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Admiral Blair,

I write to bring your attention to a national asset located at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pennsylvania. I would like to highlight the Department of Intelligence Studies, which hosts the largest non-federal, full-time, intelligence studies program in the world. Because of the enormous success of this program and the respect awarded to schools who are selected as ODNI Center of Excellence Mercyhurst College is very interested in being selected as an ODNI Center of Excellence.

I am pleased to report that the Mercyhurst College Intelligence Studies program has produced more than 400 students with undergraduate degrees, and over 100 master's degrees. The school also has a robust graduate certificate program for working professionals within the National Capital Region. Mercyhurst graduates, competing against major corporate competitors, won the ODNI's 2008 Open Source competition on the question of the centrality of Al Qaeda.

The students enrolled in the program have gender diversity and many are first and second generation American first-time college students. Mercyhurst College is always seeking to increase the diversity of the student population while improving the academic quality of the program. What the program does not have is an ODNI designation as a Center of Excellence, although Mercyhurst applied in 2008. Given the strength of the Mercyhurst program, I am hopeful that this designation will come soon.

I bring this matter to your attention because of the quality of this Pennsylvania program and our nation's need to continually expand and improve the educational offerings for our future national

security leaders. Thank you in advance for considering the value of the Mercyhurst College Intelligence Studies program for this distinction. Should you have any questions or have suggestions for Mercyhurst College I would welcome the opportunity to speak with you.

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Kathy Dahlkemper
Member of Congress

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September 27, 2010

The Honorable Steny Hoyer
Majority Leader
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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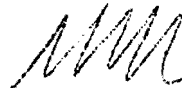
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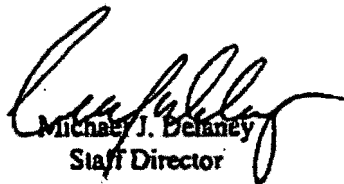
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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September 27, 2010

The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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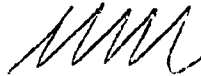
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September 27, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Admiral Blair:


On behalf of the Congressional Committee, we have the pleasure of inviting you to join us for the 58th National Prayer Breakfast on Thursday, February 4, 2010, 7:30 a.m. at the Hilton Washington in Washington, D.C.

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Sincerely,


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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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3 November 2009

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
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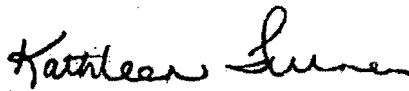
Dear Madam Chairman:

(U) This correspondence is provided in connection with the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) 30 October 2009 letter concurring with the selection of [redacted] to support the Committee's review of the Central Intelligence Agency's (CIA) detention and interrogation program. We would suggest a start date on 23 November 2009, the first Monday of a new pay period. The following personnel information is provided in connection with [redacted] 12-month reimbursable detail to the Committee: (b)(6)

Name: [redacted]
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(U) If you have any questions on this matter, please contact [redacted] the Deputy Director of Legislative Affairs, on [redacted] (b)(3)

Sincerely,


Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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September 27, 2010

The Honorable Harry Reid
Majority Leader
U.S. Senate
522 Hart Senate Office Building
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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4 November 2009

Mr. Benjamin Rhodside
Chief Clerk
Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management,
the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia
Room 605, Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Rhodside:

Attached is the transcript of Mr. David Shedd's testimony before the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia on September 15, 2009. As requested, typographical and grammatical corrections have been noted in ink.

Thank you for providing the transcript for ODNI review. Please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs, for assistance with this or any other matter. (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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September 27, 2010

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
U.S. House of Representatives
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The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
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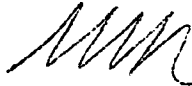
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The proposed amendment would significantly change the earlier version of this provision by requiring that the Executive Branch provide all congressional intelligence committee members who do not receive a finding or notification a "general description regarding the finding or notification, as applicable, consistent with the reasons for not yet fully informing all members of such committee." The Administration has previously threatened to veto the Intelligence Authorization Bill over a congressional notification provision that contained similar language. This provision, however, differs from the earlier provision because the requirement to provide a "general description" is limited to a description that is "consistent with reasons for not yet fully informing all members of such committee." We interpret this new language as providing sufficient flexibility to craft a description that the President deems appropriate, based on the extraordinary circumstances affecting vital interests of the United States resulting in the limited notification, and recognizing the President's authority and responsibility to protect sensitive national security information in the context of the notice and general description requirement.

We wish to confirm that you understand and agree with these interpretations. We would prefer to reduce this interpretation to writing for inclusion in the amendment itself, and will work with you to that end; otherwise, we wish to ensure that you agree with our interpretation of these provisions. With these understandings, the President's senior advisors would recommend that he sign this bill if it is presented for his signature.

The Office of Management and Budget advises that, from the standpoint of the Administration's Program, there is no objection to the submission of this letter.

Sincerely,

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Robert S. Litt

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

4 November 2009

Ms. Courtney Littig
Chief Clerk
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Ms. Littig:

Attached is the transcript of Mr. David Shedd's testimony before the Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence. As requested only technical, grammatical, and typographical corrections have been noted.

Thank you for providing the transcript for ODNI review. Please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs, [redacted] for assistance with this or any other matter. (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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November 6, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:


(U) We appreciate your participation in our October 15, 2009 hearing on covert action programs.


(U) We are submitting the attached questions for the record. We would appreciate it if you provide responses in writing no later than December 15, 2009.

(U) If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Mr. Jim Smythers, Mr. John Dickas, or Mr. Randy Bookout, of the Committee staff, at . We appreciate your cooperation.

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Sincerely,


Dianne Feinstein
Chairman


Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

Attachment

**SSCI Covert Action Hearing
October 15, 2009**

Questions for the Record for the DNI

(U) General

- (U) The Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 made the Director of National Intelligence responsible for keeping the congressional intelligence committees fully and currently informed of covert actions. The Act did not change the Central Intelligence Agency's role in conducting the covert actions. Please explain the division of labor between the ODNI and the CIA on the conduct and oversight of covert actions, and the responsibility to notify Congress.
- (U) Does the DNI's management and oversight role for covert action differ in any way from the DNI's role with respect to intelligence collection or analysis?

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The Honorable Leon Panetta
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Dear Directors:

Over the past 24 hours, I have been made aware of information from the intelligence community that suggests the possibility that serious issues exist with respect to the performance of U.S. intelligence agencies in connection with what appears to have been a terrorism-related attack at Fort Hood, Texas by Nidal Malik Hasan. I am disappointed that the Administration has not been more transparent with the American people.

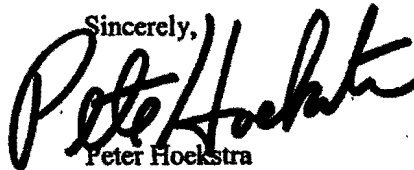
Given the potential seriousness of these issues, I am troubled that the intelligence community has not been more immediately forthcoming with the congressional oversight committees and has refused to provide specific information I have requested to review in connection with the matter. It is imperative that all documents and materials connected with this matter be preserved in order to ensure a full and complete review and

accounting of issues relating to the performance of the intelligence community in connection with this matter.

Accordingly, I am requesting that you immediately issue a preservation order to all personnel in your agencies with respect to all documents and materials related to the Fort Hood incident and any related investigations or intelligence collection activities, including other potentially related threats. The record must be clear and complete with respect to these matters, which I am beginning to fear will require significant and serious oversight activity by the Committee.

Thanks for your assistance in this critical matter.

Sincerely,

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Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Republican

cc: Chairman Reyes

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM MANAGER, INFORMATION SHARING ENVIRONMENT
(ACTING)
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November 9, 2009

The Honorable Joseph L. Lieberman
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs
United States Senate

The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
House of Representatives

The Honorable Susan M. Collins
Ranking Member
Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs
United States Senate


The Honorable Peter T. King
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
House of Representatives

Dear Chairmen Lieberman and Thompson, and Ranking Members Collins and King:

Pursuant to Section 521 of the Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007 (9/11 Act), the Program Manager for the Information Sharing Environment (PM-ISE), in consultation with the Information Sharing Council (ISC), is responsible for monitoring and assessing the efficacy of the Interagency Threat Assessment and Coordination Group (ITACG). Specifically, the 9/11 Act requires the PM-ISE to issue an annual report on the progress of the ITACG to the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney General, the Director of National Intelligence, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the United States Senate, and the Committee on Homeland Security of the United States House of Representatives.

I wish to assure you that I intend to submit this report, however, to provide a complete report that adequately captures the current activity meeting the requirements in the 9/11 Act, I respectfully request a short extension to provide this report to you in December 2009. Should you have any questions or should you require a briefing update on the ITACG, please do not hesitate to contact Kathleen Turner, Director of Legislative Affairs, ODNI, at [redacted] I (b)(3) thank you again for your consideration and continued support.

Sincerely,



Susan B. Reingold

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

November 10, 2009

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

- (i) David C. Gompert was confirmed as the Principal Deputy Director of National Intelligence on November 9, 2009.

The ODNI's Vacancies Reform Act contact is [redacted] She can be reached at [redacted] (b)(3)

Sincerely,

Kathleen Turner

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
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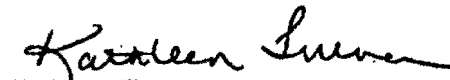
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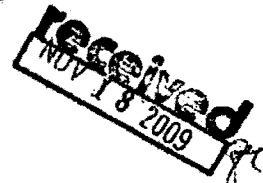
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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share my enclosed letter to President Obama urging him to halt the release of Guantanamo Bay detainees to Yemen. The release of these individuals could have dangerous consequences for the American people.

Last month in a Voice of America interview, National Counterterrorism Center director Michael Leiter stated, "In Yemen, we have witnessed the reemergence of al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula and the possibility that that will become the base of operations for al-Qaida."

In light of Major Nidal Hasan's numerous alleged communications with radical cleric Anwar al-Aulaqi in Yemen, I am deeply concerned about the impact al-Aulaqi could have on newly freed detainees in Yemen.

I urge you to halt the release of any detainee to Yemen or other unstable countries.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
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The Honorable John Kyl
Minority Whip
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The Honorable Saxby Chambliss
United States Senate

The Honorable Tom Coburn
United States Senate

The Honorable James E. Risch
United States Senate

Dear Leader McConnell and Senators Kyl, Chambliss, Coburn and Risch :

Thank you for your September 4, 2009 letter regarding the Intelligence Community (IC) update to the National Intelligence Estimate on the capability of the IC to monitor the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty (CTBT). As we noted in our September 3 response to Chairman Feinstein and Vice Chairman Bond's initial letter requesting the NIE update, we are moving ahead on updating the NIE, with the intention of completing this effort within a year.

The NIE will address such topics as: the IC's current and future capabilities to monitor compliance by signatory nations with the requirements of the CTBT; an assessment of whether treaty states can evade the CTBT and the ability of the IC to detect such evasions; and an appraisal of what treaty states could achieve when conducting tests designed to evade detection. In addition, my staff has engaged with Mr. Morrison of Senator Kyl's staff to identify those topical areas in your request that we have the ability to address in the NIE.

If you have any additional questions on this matter, please contact Kathleen Turner,
Director of Legislative Affairs, on [redacted]

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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November 13, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair,

Pursuant to its authority under Rule XXV(k)(1) of the Standing Rules of the Senate, Section 101 of S. Res. 445 (108th Congress), and Section 12 of S. Res. 73 (111th Congress), the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs has initiated an investigation into the events surrounding the November 5, 2009 shootings at Fort Hood, Texas.

The Committee is concerned that there appear to have been significant warnings of Major Nidal Malik Hasan's growing extremist views and suitability for military service that may have been missed, including because they were not adequately shared across agency lines. As you know, this Committee has long been concerned about the information stovepipes within the United States Government that were revealed by the attacks of September 11, 2001, and has worked since then to break them down. The reports now surfacing in the media suggest that many of these stovepipes remain, and in fact may have prevented some officials from learning about Major Hasan's contacts with known terrorists. We are aware that there is an ongoing criminal investigation and want to assure you that we do not intend to interfere with or replicate that investigation. However, we intend to investigate, and to provide answers to, the many questions the American people are currently asking about how the U.S. government may have once again failed to "connect the dots."

We intend to investigate, among other issues, Major Hasan's espousal of extremist ideology, the Army's awareness of and handling of his situation, what information the Intelligence Community gathered about his contacts with known terrorists and other extremists, and whether and how this information was shared across the federal government. We will be requesting documents addressing all these issues, and intend to interview officials including Major Hasan's commanding officers, individuals with whom he served, and others who may have investigated or considered his contacts with extremists or his fitness for duty.

Please have your staff contact our staff as soon as possible to discuss our requests in more detail and to develop a production schedule. Committee staff will be available at the Committee Offices, 340 Dirksen Senate Office Building, on Monday, November 16th and Tuesday, November 17th at the time of your choosing. Please have your staff give us a specific time on one of those days, and in order to facilitate our discussions, please ensure there are officials at this meeting who can discuss generally the status and parameters of ongoing investigations. If you or your staff has any questions concerning this request, please contact us, or have your staff

contact our staff directors, Michael Alexander of the majority staff at (202) 224-2627 or Brandon Milhorn of the minority staff at (202) 224-4751.

We thank you for your cooperation.

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Joseph I. Lieberman
Chairman

Sincerely,

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Susan M. Collins
Ranking Member

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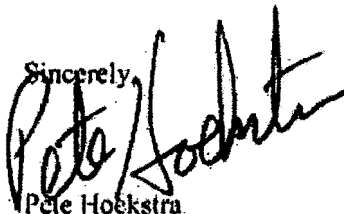
Dear Director Blair:

I was quite surprised to read today that your spokesperson Wendy Morigi "derided" concerns that I raised yesterday along with other Republican members with respect to intelligence tools that currently may not be being used to the fullest extent or, in some cases, are not being used at all. Ms. Morigi is specifically quoted as saying "The assertion that we have not and did not use available intelligence tools is patently false."

This public statement is completely inconsistent with recent notification to the Committee with respect to at least one critical program. This program was the subject of a preliminary notification to the Committee dated October 28, 2009 and received on October 30, 2009, a classified letter by Chairman Reyes to the head of an intelligence community element on November 13, 2009, and a classified letter from me to the Attorney General yesterday. The statement by Ms. Morigi is also inconsistent with other information on other programs that has been gathered directly from community personnel by Members of Congress.

Since your staff has asserted that there has in fact been no loss of capabilities, I will assume that there is no bar to publicly discussing these notifications in order to set the record straight unless I hear from you.

Sincerely,



Pete Hoekstra

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November 20, 2009

Peter Orszag
Director
Office of Management and Budget
725 17th Street, NW
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Admiral Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Orszag and Admiral Blair:

It has come to my attention the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) are currently in negotiations with the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) to determine the fate of the planned Keystone facility in Aurora, Colorado, and proposed changes to its mission requirements and related budgetary questions.

I am not privy to the classified details of this facility, but I can say without reservation the people of Aurora are able to accommodate the new facility, which will be located in my district. Aurora is the ideal community in which to build this facility. Its close proximity to the beautiful Colorado Rocky Mountains, its commercial and cultural centers, and its vibrant neighborhoods provide Aurora a tremendous quality of life for any intelligence community personnel or other individuals working on site. Aurora has a large defense industry, particularly in the aerospace field. At nearby Buckley Air Force Base, hundreds of defense and civilian personnel are engineering and operating the next generation of space systems, giving Aurora precisely the human capital necessary to operate and support this mission. It would be difficult to find a better fit for the new intelligence facility.

I strongly encourage OMB and DNI to quickly resolve the budgetary and mission discussions with regard to this new facility so groundbreaking can proceed quickly. The jobs on site, as well as those required to build this facility, are good-paying ones which our federal government must strive to keep during the current economic problems we face. Time wasted in administrative negotiations contributes to our current unemployment problem. As you know, the faster we solve these problems, the faster Americans get back to work. I look forward to your timely response to Mr. Matt Henken in my Washington staff. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ed Perlmutter
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The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a closed hearing on unauthorized disclosures of classified information on Thursday, December 3, 2009, at 2:30 p.m. in room S-407, in the Capitol.

We request that you appear as a witness at the hearing and provide testimony on the following issues and areas, where appropriate: the reasons behind the limited number of administrative actions taken against Intelligence Community (IC) employees who have leaked classified information in the past five years; the specific problems preventing the Department of Justice (DOJ) from successfully prosecuting current and former IC employees, contractors, or other government officials who leak classified information; and the effects of DOJ's inability to share its findings from criminal investigations with the affected IC agency.

Your testimony should also focus on the future, including: how the IC will implement and pursue administrative actions in a more timely fashion; how DOJ can share its investigative efforts from criminal investigations with the IC agency affected by the leak; and, how the IC can augment the use of preventative measures to halt the increasing number of leaks of classified information.

The Committee is also interested in your assessment of the effectiveness, or lack of effectiveness, of current criminal, administrative, and civil remedies which are applicable to instances of unauthorized disclosure of classified information. We also request that you address the damage to national security caused by leaks.

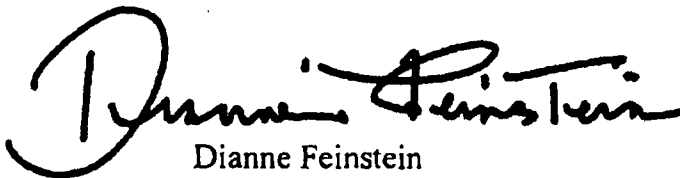

We request that you present an opening statement on these matters in no more than 10 minutes at the hearing. Finally, we request that you submit a copy of your written testimony no later than Tuesday, December 1, 2009, at 2:30pm.

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
November 20, 2009
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We have asked the Attorney General and the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation to also appear as witnesses.

If your staff has any questions or would like to discuss this hearing further, please have them contact Mr. Eric Chapman of the Committee staff, at (b)(6)

Sincerely,

Dianne Feinstein
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman
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340 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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November 25, 2009

The Honorable Susan M. Collins
Vice Chairman
U.S. Senate
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340 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Vice Chairman Collins:

Section 521 of the *Implementing Recommendations of the 9/11 Commission Act of 2007* requires the submission to the Congress of a report on the status of the Interagency Threat Assessment and Coordination Group (ITACG). Specifically, the Act requires the PM-ISE to issue an annual report on the progress of the ITACG to the Secretary of Homeland Security, the Attorney General, the Director of National Intelligence, the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs of the United States Senate, and the Committee on Homeland Security of the United States House of Representatives. The second (Annual) Report on the activities of the ITACG is attached in fulfillment of this requirement.

If you have any questions, please contact Kathleen Turner in the Office of Legislative Affairs on

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Sincerely,



Susan B. Reingold

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November 25, 2009

The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson
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U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Peter T. King
Ranking Member
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member King:

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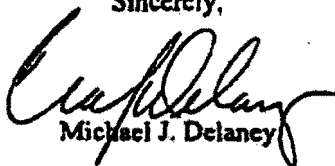
Dear Kathleen,

Attached are questions requiring follow up resulting from the November 18, 2009 briefing to the full committee regarding issues at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba.

Please provide the Committee with written answers to the attached questions no later than Wednesday, December 16, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact [redacted] at (202) 225-7690.

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Sincerely,


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December 3, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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The Honorable James Clapper
Undersecretary of Defense (Intelligence)
Washington, DC 20001

Dear Director Blair and Secretary Clapper:

As a follow-up to my letter of a few days ago to Undersecretary Clapper, I remain extremely disappointed that I have been unable to receive an updated briefing on the tragic attack which occurred at Fort Hood, Texas on November 5, 2009. During the initial briefing given to this Committee on November 19, 2009, witnesses repeatedly stated that they were unable to address some Member questions because they were still collecting all available information in an effort to provide a comprehensive report on the attack to the President. That report has since been given to the President, but Members of this Committee continue to wait indefinitely for answers from this Administration on certain national security aspects of the attack.

I realize that both of you take direction from the National Security Council as to when and what you should brief to me, but the information I have requested is well within the jurisdiction and responsibility of this Committee. I remind you that in the House of Representatives this Committee has exclusive jurisdiction for the oversight of intelligence sources and methods.

This Administration seems to have forgotten that it is a requirement, not an option, to keep Congress fully and currently informed. Given what we already know about the attack, we need to prevent its reoccurrence. We cannot waste more time. We must immediately begin a healthy dialogue between the Executive and Legislative Branches in order to investigate the intelligence-related matters surrounding the attack.

Sincerely,


Pete Hoekstra
Ranking Member

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December 3, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

As you know, pursuant to its authority under Rule XXV(k)(1) of the Standing Rules of the Senate, Section 101 of S. Res. 445 (108th Congress), and Section 12 of S. Res. 73 (111th Congress), the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs has initiated an investigation into the events surrounding the November 5, 2009, shootings at Fort Hood, TX. To aid this investigation, we request that the Intelligence Community (IC) provide the Committee with the following documents and witnesses.

I. Documents

Please provide copies of all documents listed below held by any entity of the IC, whether or not they were produced by such entity of the IC. The terms "documents" and "communications" below include all forms of documentation including but not limited to files, reports, analyses, memoranda, notes, and presentations and cover all media, including e-mails. If a document is held by multiple IC entities, please provide a copy from each entity that held the document. Discrete marking on a document shall render that version a different document subject to production. Please organize documents to identify clearly from which entity a document was produced.

1. All reports, communications, or other materials pertaining to or referencing Major Nidal Malik Hasan created by, received by, or in the possession of the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), or other IC elements prior to November 5, 2009, and any records related to further analysis or dissemination of such information.
2. All intelligence reports and assessments pertaining to or referencing Anwar al-Aulaqi (or al-Aulaqy, al-Awlaki, al-Alwaky, hereinafter "al-Aulaqi") created by, received by, or in the possession of NCTC, CIA, or other IC elements prior to November 5, 2009.
3. All intelligence reports and assessments created by, received by, or in the possession of any IC element pertaining to any person who has a record or is

otherwise identified in the Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment (TIDE) database (or any other IC database of known or suspected terrorists) with whom the U.S. Government now knows Major Hasan communicated prior to November 5, 2009.

4. All IC policies and operational procedures pertaining to intelligence and information-sharing with respect to (a) sharing of information derived from collection pursuant to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, (b) use of originator control (ORCON) markings, (c) restrictions or limitations on information-sharing with respect to U.S. persons, and (d) information-sharing policies and procedures with respect to counterintelligence risks pertaining to U.S. military and civilian government employees. Please also provide all policies and procedures in effect since January 1, 2007.
5. All current IC policies, directives and operational procedures with respect to counterintelligence risks pertaining to U.S. military and civilian government employees. Please also provide all policies and procedures in effect since January 1, 2007.
6. All counterintelligence reports or assessments created by, received by, or in the possession of any IC element since January 1, 1990, that address threats and risks related to U.S. military personnel becoming radicalized to espouse Islamist extremism or affiliating or communicating with known or suspected foreign extremists or known or suspected terrorists, including the desire of Islamist extremists to target U.S. military personnel for radicalization.
7. To the extent not covered above, all material provided to the Director of the NCTC pursuant to your order on November 13, 2009, to the heads of all IC elements, ordering them to preserve and maintain any information related to Major Hasan in their possession and to provide this information to the Director of the NCTC (including providing information on how such information was held, handled, disseminated, accessed, and shared).

II. Witnesses

1. Please provide immediate access to all IC personnel who:
 - a. Read or accessed information prior to November 5, 2009, indicating that Major Hasan had communicated with al-Aulaqi or any individual with known or suspected connections to terrorist organizations or who has espoused extremist ideology, or
 - b. Had knowledge of Major Hasan prior to November 5, 2009

We ask that you produce such documents and witnesses on a rolling basis beginning immediately and concluding by December 23, 2009. Please provide the documents in electronic format. We look forward to discussing this request with your Office of General Counsel and other relevant IC entities in order to determine appropriate

procedures for production of witnesses and documents, including to ensure that such production does not interfere with the ongoing criminal prosecution of Major Hasan. Our staff directors will contact your Office of Legislative Affairs to follow up on this request: Michael Alexander of the majority staff [redacted] and Brandon Milhorn of the minority staff [redacted]. Please note that we plan to supplement this request with additional requests based on the course of our investigation.

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We thank you for your cooperation.



Joseph I. Lieberman
Chairman

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
Ranking Member

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
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Dear Madam Chairman:

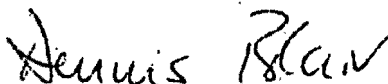
Earlier this year, we exchanged correspondence about the Genocide Prevention Task Force Report and Intelligence Community work on genocide early warning, analysis, and reporting. Due to your keen interest in this important issue, I invite you to address a conference on this topic scheduled to take place 17-19 March 2010. Your specific speaking time slot can be adjusted to accommodate your schedule.

The conference is one of the initiatives of the Genocide Prevention Task Force and is hosted by the Vanderbilt University Law School in Nashville, Tennessee. The National Intelligence Council; CIA, Directorate of Intelligence; and State Department, Bureau of Intelligence and Research are co-sponsoring the conference. We expect experts from government, academia, and private industry to attend in order to explore the development of an early warning network that will identify and report on emerging risks of instability, humanitarian crises, and atrocities.

The conference will address three primary themes: 1) How we provide warning of instability today and what might be done to raise the quality of that warning; 2) How the interface between warning and decision can be improved; and 3) Whether increased international cooperation and communication might enhance both the process and the result.

Your attendance at this conference would significantly increase its visibility and credibility, and reaffirm the Committee's support for international efforts to improve the quality of warning of political instability and potential atrocities. I would be happy to discuss this issue with you further. If you have any questions on this important event, my Director of Legislative Affairs, Kathleen Turner, can be reached on [REDACTED] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable Frank R. Wolf
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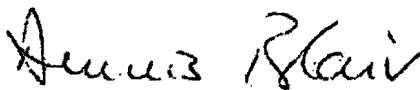
Dear Representative Wolf:

Thank you for your November 12, 2009 letter regarding your concerns with the transfer of some Guantanamo Bay detainees to Yemen. The decision to transfer or release an individual detainee is a complex process in which numerous factors are considered, including appropriate security assurances and whether the detainee's release has been ordered by the court.

Pursuant to Executive Order 13492, the interagency Guantanamo Review Task Force is reviewing the status of each individual currently detained at Guantanamo in order to determine, on a case-by-case basis, whether it is possible to transfer or release the individuals consistent with the national security and foreign policy interests of the United States. The work of this task force, directed by the President and led by the Attorney General, is ongoing.

I will share your letter with the Task Force and ask them to take your concerns into consideration as they continue their work. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact our Legislative Affairs Director, Kathleen Turner, at [REDACTED] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



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December 11, 2009

Peter Orszag
Director
Office of Management and Budget
725 17th Street, NW
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Admiral Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Orszag and Admiral Blair:

On November 20, 2009, I wrote your respective agencies to communicate my commitment to the timely completion of the planned Keystone facility in Aurora, Colorado, which at that time was stalled. This project represents a major step forward for our nation's intelligence community. As I stated in my first letter, Aurora is the ideal location of this facility, and the jobs involved in the construction of and operations in this building are much needed. Since that time, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) formally cancelled the project.

Shortly after this determination, your agencies briefed members of my staff as to the reasons for the cancellation and potential next steps. Generally, your staff indicated the cancellation was not a result of lack of funds, but rather a change in mission requirements at Keystone.

Due to the importance of the Keystone Project to our national security, if this project/concept is revived in some form in the future, I strongly urge the location of the Keystone facility be in my congressional district in north Aurora. Many organizations and businesses in the area already commenced plans to assist Keystone in its operations. For the resources and efforts undertaken by these groups, the proximity of the Keystone project to the Aurora area is of the utmost importance.

Lastly, the company contracted to design and build the former endeavor of Keystone, The Peterson Companies, were in the process of developing the plans for Keystone when the contract was terminated. I urge you to ensure this company is compensated for any services rendered to date on the Keystone Project.

I am firmly committed to ensuring Keystone is completed in short order, and I hope OMB and DNI feel the same. I look forward to your timely response to Matt Henken in my Washington office. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Ed Perlmutter
Member of Congress

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The Honorable Mitch McConnell
Minority Leader
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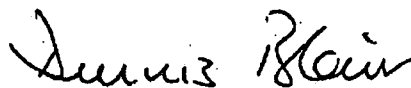
Dear Leader McConnell and Senators Kyl, Chambliss, Coburn and Risch:

Thank you for your September 4, 2009 letter requesting a National Intelligence Council assessment for risks pertaining to on-site Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty inspections. I have asked the Departments of Energy and Defense to prepare reports on risks to national security information at these facilities. The Director of National Counterintelligence will work with these Departments to ensure that these reports are submitted to me by April 2010. I will review them and forward the results for use in your deliberations.

If you have any additional questions on this matter, please contact Kathleen Turner,
Director of Legislative Affairs, on [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Under Secretary of Defense (Intelligence)
Acting Director, Office of Intelligence and Counterintelligence, Department of Energy

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December 17, 2009

The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair,

Thank you for your response to our letter of September 23rd asking that you review the results of the 1999-2000 Hazard Support System pilot and evaluate current options for restoring that capability to warn of forest fires.

I'm pleased that the review so far shows a potential to leverage current technical collection capabilities to provide warning to the firefighting community. I've asked our staff to review the information you provided, and to follow up as needed with your staff to understand the plan you lay out.

We regret that it's taken so long to get this far, and that you do not expect to have the information needed for budget and operation decisions until April 1, 2010. We urge you to press ahead expeditiously with the process of developing options. The hazard of forest fires more than warrants sustained attention to ensuring effective warning, and we have to ensure that IC capacities to collect against foreign targets are protected.

Sincerely,


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DEC 18 2009

The Honorable Kathy Dahlkemper
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Dear Representative Dahlkemper:

Thank you for your October 28, 2009 letter regarding Mercyhurst College's Intelligence Studies Program and that institution's interest in the Intelligence Community's Centers of Academic Excellence (CAE) Program.

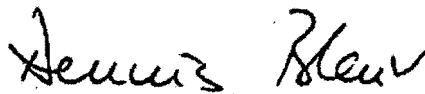
The CAE Program is intended to provide "seed" funding, in the form of grants, to those academic institutions that demonstrate an interest in and have the potential for developing courses of study that will produce a diverse pool of graduates with the skills to meet projected Intelligence Community (IC) hiring needs in core mission areas. These grants may be from one to five years in duration, after which grantees are expected to sustain intelligence-related courses and curricula. The selection as an Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) IC CAE academic institution is not intended to be an honorary designation.

CAE institutions are selected through an open competitive process, generally on an annual basis, and all accredited colleges and universities are eligible to apply. Proposals are assessed by technical evaluation teams comprised of senior IC managers. The assessments are then sent to an IC selection panel for final deliberations and selection.

Mercyhurst College was one of 41 academic institutions that submitted proposals to the ODNI in FY 2009; seven of those institutions were selected to be part of the CAE Program for the 2009/2010 academic year. As a matter of standard practice, the selection panel provided specific, confidential feedback to all applicant institutions, including Mercyhurst College and that information may assist Mercyhurst in any future grant competitions.

Again, thank you for your letter and your interest in the IC Centers of Academic Excellence Program. If you have any questions regarding this matter please contact Ms. Kathleen Turner, the Director of Legislative Affairs, at [REDACTED] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



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December 21, 2009

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

The Honorable Janet Napolitano
Secretary
Department of Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20528

Dear Director Blair and Secretary Napolitano:

Documents recently released pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act underscore the need to better define the mission and authorities of the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Intelligence & Analysis (I&A). According to those documents, the following incidents occurred:

- An I&A representative prepared a threat assessment on local demonstrations by Wisconsin pro-choice and anti-abortion groups who posed no threat to homeland security, and sent it to the local police department.
- An I&A representative produced and disseminated a report about a conference at a mosque in Georgia even though there was no evidence that the conference or its speakers promoted radical extremism or terrorist activity, and the activities were protected by the First Amendment.
- An I&A representative produced, and sent to hundreds of federal officials, a report about the Nation of Islam. The report later was ordered to be destroyed because assessment of the group continued for more than 180 days without evidence that the information was necessary to I&A's responsibilities.
- I&A produced and widely disseminated to local, state and federal authorities a report "focused on the role of a known U.S. Muslim leader in countering violent Islamic extremism" without minimization of U.S. person information.

There is no question that DHS has an important homeland security mission and that our nation faces ongoing threats from terrorist groups. But that is exactly why it is inappropriate to focus time and energy reporting on lawful, First Amendment-protected activities; indeed, such abuses serve only as a distraction from the real threats we face. I appreciate that in each of these examples discussed in the FOIA-released documents, the problem was identified and remedied. But these instances suggest that there is nonetheless a pattern of problems that needs to be addressed in a more comprehensive way. Indeed, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence said the following earlier this year in the committee report on the FY2010 intelligence authorization bill: "The committee has raised a number of concerns with reports issued by the Department of Homeland Security OIA [Office of Intelligence and Analysis] that inappropriately analyzed the legitimate activities of U.S. persons. These reports raised fundamental questions about the mission of the OIA, and often used certain questionable open source information as a basis of their conclusions."

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As I indicated during the confirmation hearing on the nomination of Caryn Wagner to be the Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Intelligence and Analysis, I am concerned that the authorities of I&A with regard to collecting and disseminating information about U.S. persons, and in particular the use of "open source" information and the obligation to coordinate with the FBI, are not adequately defined.

Please respond to the following questions:

- Why is I&A still operating under "Interim Intelligence Oversight Procedures" that were issued in April 2008 by the former head of I&A? Executive Order 12333 requires each element of the Intelligence Community, in consultation with the Director of National Intelligence, to establish procedures concerning the collection, retention and dissemination of U.S. person information that are approved by the Attorney General. What is the status of those procedures for I&A?
- What is DHS doing to address the pattern of inappropriate analysis and dissemination of information on U.S. persons engaging in First Amendment protected activities?
- How do the responsibilities of I&A with regard to domestic threats overlap with those of the FBI, and how does I&A coordinate with the FBI?
- These FOIA-released documents are the first that I have learned of some of these incidents, despite my role as a member of the Senate Intelligence and Judiciary Committees. How do you decide whether to notify Congress of violations that have been reported to the Intelligence Oversight Board?

Thank you in advance for your expeditious response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Russell D. Feingold", written in a cursive style.

Russell D. Feingold
United States Senator

KATHY DAHLKEMPER
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Admiral Dennis Cutler Blair USN (Ret)
Director
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Admiral Blair:

I write to bring your attention to a national asset located at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pennsylvania. I would like to highlight the Department of Intelligence Studies, which hosts the largest non-federal, full-time, intelligence studies program in the world, and Mercyhurst College's interest in being selected as an ODNI Center of Excellence.

I am pleased to report that the Mercyhurst College Intelligence Studies program has produced more than 400 students with undergraduate degrees, and over 100 master's degrees. The school also has a robust graduate certificate program for working professionals within the National Capital Region. Mercyhurst graduates, competing against major corporate competitors, won the ODNI's 2008 Open Source competition on the question of the centrality of Al Qaeda. The students enrolled in the program have gender diversity and many are first and second generation American first-time college students. Mercyhurst College is always seeking to increase the diversity of the student population while improving the academic quality of the program.

Most recently, Mercyhurst College was selected to provide courses for the FBI counter-terrorism team at the Washington headquarters. What the program does not have is an ODNI designation as a Center of Excellence, although Mercyhurst applied in 2008. Given the strength of the Mercyhurst program, I am hopeful that this designation will come soon.

I bring this matter to your attention because of the quality of this Pennsylvania program and our nation's need to continually expand and improve the educational offerings for our future national security leaders. Thank you in advance for considering the value of the Mercyhurst College Intelligence Studies program for this distinction.

Sincerely,


Kathy Dahlkemper

Representative, PA3

CHIEF, INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND DIVERSITY
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

January 12, 2010
EEOD-09-0037

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congresswoman Eshoo:

It is my pleasure to invite you to be the Awards Ceremony Luncheon Speaker at the Intelligence Community (IC) Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity (EEOD) All-Hands Conference on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, at 12:45 p.m. The three-day event will be held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, from March 8 – 10, 2010.

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Dr. Patricia T. Taylor

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January 13, 2010

Via Email (eugene.barlow @usgov.gov)

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
 Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20515

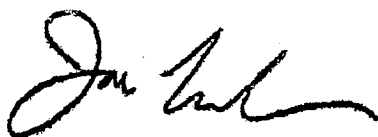
Dear Mr. Blair:

We would like to invite you to testify at a hearing titled "Intelligence Reform: The Lessons and Implications of the Christmas Day Attack" before the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on Wednesday, January 20, 2010, at 9:30 a.m. in room SD-342 in the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to discuss how to further improve the nation's security in light of this Christmas Day terrorist attack, including any changes needed in areas such as intelligence analysis, information sharing, watch-listing, border security, and aviation security. We are also interested in the progress of the intelligence reforms that were made in 2004 in response to the 9/11 Commission's recommendations, including the creation of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the National Counterterrorism Center. Specifically, we would like to discuss how the intelligence community was unable to bring together pieces of intelligence held by various agencies to detect this plot and whether the DNI and NCTC have the authority to integrate the intelligence community.

The committee requests that you summarize your testimony in 10 minutes or less, although a longer written statement may be submitted for the official record. This will allow adequate time for you to engage in questions and answers with members of the committee. Committee rules require that your testimony be submitted by 10 a.m. on Friday, January 15, 2010. Please send your written statement and a brief biography via e-mail to the committee's chief clerk, Trina Tyrer, at trina_tyrer@hsgac.senate.gov

We look forward to your participation in this hearing. If you have any questions, please contact Chrisuan Beckner with the majority staff at 202-224-2627 or Rob Strayer with the minority staff at 202-224-4751



Joseph I. Lieberman
 U.S. Senator

Sincerely,



Susan M. Collins
 U.S. Senator

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CHIEF, INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND DIVERSITY
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

January 19, 2010
EEOD-09-037

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Reyes:

It is my pleasure to invite you to be our Keynote Speaker at the Intelligence Community (IC) Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity (EEOD) All-Hands Conference on Tuesday, March 9, 2010, at 9:15 a.m. Dennis C. Blair, the Director of National Intelligence, has also been invited to deliver remarks that same day. The three-day event will be held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, from March 8 – 10, 2010.

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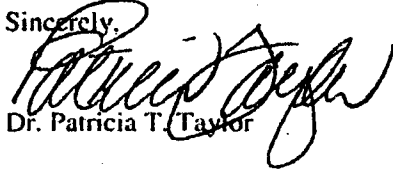
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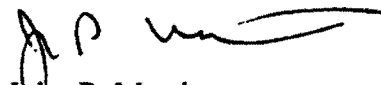
The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair,

The Committee is in receipt of your January 12, 2010, letter regarding your recent action returning the Community's Business Transformation Office (BTO) to a position subordinate to the DNI Chief Information-Technology Officer (CIO), and returning all financial management efforts to the Financial Management Office under the Chief Financial Officer (CFO), a structure that was originally requested with the fiscal year 2010 budget submission. The Committee considered this requested construct, yet determined that the BTO's authority, functions, and funding must be elevated above the CIO for the strength and benefit of an effective Intelligence Community-wide business transformation effort. The funds for the BTO were appropriated under the DNI project account to ensure this critical four-year effort received either your personal attention, or the attention of the Principal Deputy Director or the Director of the Intelligence Staff. This step follows best organizational management practices seen throughout both the government and the private sector and mirrors past successful financial improvement efforts. It also ensures objective decision making when the director of the BTO is faced with a disagreement between stakeholders like the CIO, the CFO, the Chief Human Capital Officer and other deputy directors.

The law is clear. I expect the BTO's authority, functions and funding to be separated from the CIO and CFO.

Sincerely,



John P. Murtha
Chairman
Defense Subcommittee

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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January 21, 2010

FRANK R. WOLF
TENTH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

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Dear Director Blair:

Please find the enclosed letter that I sent to John Brennan today. I am deeply concerned about the conflicting information members of Congress have received about the interrogation of the alleged Christmas Day bomber.

It is imperative that the administration work *with* members of Congress to learn from this incident. Iron sharpens iron -- Congress should be included in this process.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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January 22, 2010

SSCI# 2010-0671

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

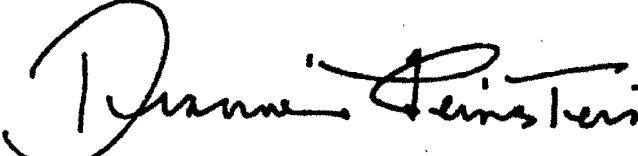
The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a closed hearing on the Intelligence Community's review of intelligence related to the shootings at Fort Hood on Thursday, January 28, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. in room SH-219 of the Senate Hart Building.


We request that you make Director Leiter of the National Counterterrorism Center available to testify at the hearing. The Committee is interested in learning how intelligence was handled, shared, and acted upon prior to the shootings at Fort Hood.

We have also asked the Deputy Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, John Pistole, and the Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence, James R. Clapper, to appear as witnesses.

We request that a combined classified statement for the record be provided no later than Tuesday, January 26, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. We further request that Director Leiter's opening remarks be limited to five to seven minutes in length.

If your staff has any questions or would like to discuss this hearing further, please have them contact Mr. Eric Chapman, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700.


Dianne Feinstein
Chairman


Sincerely,
Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman



One Hundred Eleventh Congress
U.S. House of Representatives
Committee on Homeland Security
Washington, DC 20515

January 22, 2010

Mr. Dennis C. Blair
Director
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511
(703) 733-8600

Dear Director Blair:

The House Committee on Homeland Security will hold a hearing entitled "Flight 253: Learning Lessons from an Averted Tragedy," on Wednesday, January 27, 2010, at 10:00 a.m. in 311 Cannon House Office Building. I am writing to confirm an invitation for you to testify at this hearing.

Under Committee Rule VI (D), each witness shall submit a written statement of proposed testimony, which must be filed with the Clerk of the Committee no less than 48 hours in advance of your appearance before the Committee. Please submit a copy of your testimony electronically to the Chief Clerk of the Committee at mike.twinchek@mail.house.gov, no later than 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 25, 2010. Pursuant to Committee Rule VI(D)(2) failure to provide testimony to the Committee by the deadline may result in your oral and/or written testimony being excluded from the record. In addition, please deliver in advance, or bring with you to the hearing, at least 1 printed copy of your testimony. Oral testimony should not exceed five minutes and should summarize the witness' written remarks. The witness may, in addition, introduce into the record any other supporting documentation, in accordance with the enclosed guidelines.

Under clause 2(k) of Rule XI of the Rules of the House of Representatives, witnesses at hearings may be accompanied by their own counsel to advise them concerning their constitutional rights. Witness counsels are not permitted to sit at the table, unless authorized by the Committee. I reserve the right to place any witness under oath. A witness may obtain a transcript copy of their testimony given in open, public sessions, or in a closed session only when authorized by the Subcommittee/Committee.

The Rules of the Committee, adopted January 2007, are available on its website at <http://homeland.house.gov/SiteDocuments/rules111.pdf> and the Rules of the House of Representatives are available at the House of Representatives' website at <http://www.house.gov/rules/111rules.pdf>. Due to the limited space available at the Committee hearing, the Committee authorizes each witness to have not more than two accompanying staff, including any counsel as specified above.

Director Blair
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Accommodations for individuals with disabilities, including assistive listening systems, interpreters and materials in alternate formats, may be arranged by contacting the Chief Clerk in advance of the hearing (four business days notice is recommended) at the address above or at

[redacted] TTY [redacted]

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Should you or your staff have any questions or need additional information, please contact Ms. Cherri Branson, Chief Oversight Counsel at [redacted] or Michael Twinchek, Chief Clerk at [redacted]

Sincerely,



BENNIE G. THOMPSON
Chairman

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The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Director Blair:

As you know, the White House review of the December 25, 2009 attempted terrorist attack made several key findings to facilitate immediate corrective action. Among the findings:

Information Technology within the CT community did not sufficiently enable the correlation of data that would have enabled analysts to highlight the relevant threat information.¹

After receiving these conclusions, President Obama mandated corrective actions. A common thread among his directives was the acceleration and focus on "technology enhancements," including:

To the Department of State: ...Determine how technology enhancements can facilitate and strengthen visa-related business processes.

To the Director of National Intelligence: Accelerate information technology enhancements, to include knowledge discovery, database integration, cross-database searches, and the ability to correlate biographic information with terrorism-related intelligence.

To the National Counterterrorism Center: Establish a dedicated capability responsible for enhancing record information on possible terrorists in the Terrorist Identities Datamart Environment for watch listing purposes.²

Given these directives, I would like to bring to your attention the technology offered by a constituent company in my district, 21st Century Technologies ("21CT"). 21CT is an Austin-based software company that has been serving the DoD and intelligence community for 12 years. It develops and sells an advanced analytics platform called, "Lynxeon," which "connects the dots" in vast, complex and

¹ Report entitled, "Summary of the White House Review of the December 25, 2009 Attempted Terrorist Attack," dated January 7, 2009; p.6

² Memorandum from the President dated January 7, 2009; Subject: "Attempted Terrorist Attack on December 25, 2009; Intelligence, Screening, and Watchlisting System Corrective Action."

disparate data stores. Lynxeon is currently in evaluation use at NCTC and JIEDDO, with successful results. Additionally, the 24th Air Force at Lackland Air Force base in San Antonio, Texas, is using Lynxeon successfully as part of its mission to prevent cyber network attacks.

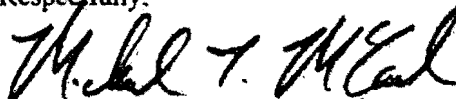
Consistent with the President's guidance, the evaluation and use of tools such as Lynxeon must be accelerated in order to prevent another Christmas day attack. We know that no single tool will solve all intelligence problems, just as no single agency can. Therefore, it is our duty to ensure we are considering all available tools and moving them quickly into operational use. The right tools, combined with the right people, can prevent another attack.

I ask you to consider Lynxeon as one of the tools in your counter-terrorism arsenal and to evaluate the technology expeditiously.

I am also enclosing information that describes the product and its applications, and I encourage you or someone from your staff to meet 21CT's CEO, Irene Williams [redacted] [redacted] or further details. (b)(6)

As always, thank you for your prompt attention, and feel free to contact Alex Manning in my office at (202) 225-2401 if you have any questions.

Respectfully,



Congressman Michael McCaul

Cc: Irene M. Williams

CHIEF, INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AND DIVERSITY
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

January 29, 2010
EEOD-10-006

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman, Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Feinstein:

It is my pleasure to invite you to be our Keynote Speaker at the Intelligence Community (IC) Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity (EEOD) All-Hands Conference on Wednesday, March 10, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. Other invited speakers are The Director of National Intelligence, Admiral Dennis Blair, The Honorable Sylvester Reyes and The Honorable Anna Eshoo, and The Honorable John Berry, Director of the Office of Personnel Management. The three-day event will be held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, from March 8 - 10, 2010.

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WASHINGTON, DC 20511

January 29, 2010
EEOD-10-006

The Honorable Barbara Mikulski
Maryland Senator
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Senator Mikulski:

It is my pleasure to invite you to be our Keynote Speaker at the Intelligence Community (IC) Equal Employment Opportunity and Diversity (EEOD) All-Hands Conference on Monday, March 8, 2010, at 9:00 a.m. Other invited speakers are The Director of National Intelligence, Admiral Dennis Blair, The Honorable Sylvester Reyes and The Honorable Anna Eshoo, and The Honorable John Berry, Director of the Office of Personnel Management. The three-day event will be held at the Sheraton National Hotel in Arlington, Virginia, from March 8 – 10, 2010.

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WASHINGTON, DC 20511

February 2, 2010
EEOD-10-006

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Senate Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman:

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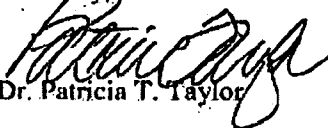
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Dr. Patricia T. Taylor

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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share the enclosed letter that I sent to General Jones earlier today regarding the High-Value Detainee Interrogation Group (HIG).

Yesterday, I met with the top interagency leadership of the HIG. I am concerned that the administration is not moving quickly enough to establish this important group. I urge you to accelerate these efforts in order to have the HIG operational as soon as possible.

As part of this effort, I believe that the HIG should be given a permanent facility at the National Counterterrorism Center within 30 days. In a letter I received earlier today from Deputy National Security Adviser John Brennan, the administration has taken rightly great pride in its efforts to halt "stove-piping" of classified information with regard to the Guantanamo detainees. I would hope that this same effort would extend to strengthening terrorist interrogation by placing the HIG in the NCTC within the month.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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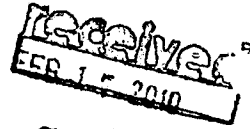
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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Admiral Blair:

As you know, I have been concerned about terrorist attacks against the U.S. for many years. In 1998, I authored language that created the bipartisan National Commission on Terrorism, also known as the Bremer Commission -- which released its final report in 2000, tellingly featuring the World Trade Center "Twin Towers" on its cover. The report was ignored by administration and congressional leaders -- both Republican and Democrat -- until after the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001.

On matters of national security, such as counterterrorism, I have always sought to work in a nonpolitical and bipartisan manner. The security of country is too important to be subject to partisan rancor or "point scoring." That is why I have been deeply disturbed by the lack of consultation and outreach to congressional Republicans with regard to the transfer of detainees from Guantanamo Bay over the past year. The limited congressional notification, which was only enacted after I drafted an amendment to appropriations legislation, does not adequately provide for congressional response or concerns.

As you have read in previous letters, I have been deeply concerned about the transfer of several detainees from Guantanamo Bay to Yemen, Afghanistan, and Somaliland that occurred in late December. Of particular concern is Ayman Batarfi who had a personal relationship with Osama bin Laden and trained with the head of al Qaeda's anthrax program in Afghanistan in 2001. Last month, I raised these concerns in a January 12 letter to Deputy National Security Adviser John Brennan and during a subsequent briefing on January 13. In my January 12 letter, I write that "Ayman Batarfi, one of the Yemeni detainees released by this administration on December 19, 2009, has worked closely with Osama bin Laden in Afghanistan and trained with a microbiologist who taught al Qaeda how to produce anthrax." My information was based on five unique unclassified Department of Defense (DOD) memos produced between October 2005 and December 2007. These memos represent the bulk of publicly available information about Batarfi's terrorist activities and connections to al Qaeda.

Despite these five DOD memos, Mr. Brennan challenged my concerns in a February 1 letter to Speaker Nancy Pelosi that was leaked to ABC News. Without providing additional information to counter the information contained in these five DOD documents or my letter of

Admiral Dennis C. Blair
February 4, 2010
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January 12, Mr. Brennan asserted that "there is no basis for the assertions Representative Wolf made." I was first made aware of Mr. Brennan's response upon the release of the ABC News report the following morning -- only receiving a personal letter to the same effect from Mr. Brennan later that morning. Clearly, this letter was leaked to the press by Mr. Brennan or White House political operatives. This was an unprofessional, partisan action that is unbecoming of the president's top counterterrorism adviser.

Despite Mr. Brennan's unsubstantiated response, I maintain that based on the information that I have reviewed, Batarfi is a dangerous terrorist who may seek to re-join al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula (AQAP). Additional information summarizing my concerns can be found in the enclosed report by *The Weekly Standard's* Thomas Joscelyn. The article succinctly summarizes the troubling connection between Batarfi and al Qaeda's anthrax program.

Nonetheless, Batarfi has been transferred to Yemen. The Congress has not been informed of any specific restrictions being placed on his movements and activities, nor on the movements and activities of other former Guantanamo detainees returned to Yemen. Further, the situation within Yemen is unstable. The Government there faces multiple security challenges and separatist movements, and portions of the country are effectively beyond the control of the Government. It would not surprise me if Batarfi were to be contacted by al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula now that he has been released. I would appreciate if you would notify and provide me with any classified reports regarding what, if any, measures are being taken to monitor the activities of Batarfi and other transferred detainees.

I would also really appreciate it if you would encourage the president to consider and adopt my recommendations, outlined in my enclosed January 12 letter to President Obama, recommending that he bring back the chairmen of the 9/11 Commission to review progress made toward reaching the commission's recommendations and creating a "Team B" to review our strategic counterterrorism efforts. In light of the recent release of the Harvard report highlighting al Qaeda's determination to acquire and use a weapon of mass destruction, these outside reviews of federal counterterrorism programs are needed more than ever.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me or Thomas Culligan in my personal office at [redacted] or Mike Ringler in my subcommittee office at [redacted]

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Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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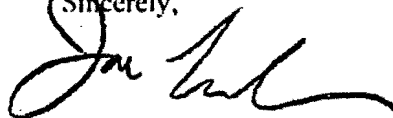
Dear Mr. Blair:

Enclosed are post-hearing questions that have been directed to you and submitted for the official record from the hearing that was held on January 20, 2010, titled "Intelligence Reform: The Lessons and Implications of the Christmas Day Attack, Part I." In order to ensure a complete hearing record, please type each question in full before each response and return your written responses on or before March 26, 2010, via e-mail to the committee's chief clerk, Trina Tyrer, at [REDACTED]

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If you have any questions, please contact Trina Tyrer, Chief Clerk, at [REDACTED].
Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Sincerely,



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February 12, 2010

The Honorable Dennis Blair
 Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence invites you and the Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence to testify in a closed hearing from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 11, in HVC-304, the Capitol. The purpose is to hear about the President's Fiscal Year (FY) 2011 budget request for the National Intelligence Program (NIP) and Military Intelligence Program (MIP) and how resources map to Intelligence Community (IC) and Defense Intelligence Enterprise objectives.

Please discuss both the base and the Overseas Contingency Operations requests and include your FY2011 priorities and how the requested funding will help the IC achieve those priorities. Also include FY2010 successes and challenges, significant changes in FY2011 resource allocation and activities, and resources for human capital, financial management, facilities management, and research and development. Please also discuss how the resources requested will enhance collaboration within the IC.

The maximum number of seats available for witnesses and accompanying personnel is 16. Please inform the Committee by open of business on Tuesday, March 9 of your proposed witnesses and supporting attendees for the hearing. In accordance with Committee rules, written statements and the other requested written material should be delivered to the Committee no later than open of business on Tuesday, March 9.

For information purposes, attached is the list of all the FY 2011 budget hearings. We look forward to a series of constructive engagements with you and the appropriate elements of the IC as we review the President's budget for FY 2011. Any questions on matters related to the hearing schedule may be addressed to Budget Director, at 202-225-7690.

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Sincerely,


 Silvestre Reyes
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 Peter Hoekstra
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cc: Under Secretary of Defense for Intelligence

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The Honorable Dennis Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

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Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,


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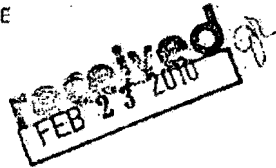
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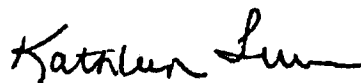
(U) The Director of National Intelligence has appointed Ms. Paula J. Roberts as the U.S. Intelligence Community's Chief Human Capital Officer (IC CHCO), effective 22 February 2010. As the Chief of the Intelligence Community Chief Human Capital Office, Ms. Roberts will lead the design, development, and execution of human resources (HR) strategies and policies in support of the men and women who serve in our nation's intelligence agencies; she will also be charged with implementing the various HR provisions of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004.

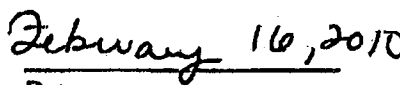
(U) Ms. Roberts is an ideal selection as she currently serves as the Director of the Human Development Directorate at the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA). In this capacity, she is responsible for ensuring Human Development remains strategically focused on all aspects of developing and maintaining a world-class workforce. While at NGA, Ms. Roberts previously served as the Equality Executive, and focused on NGA's commitment to a culture of partnership, diversity, collaboration, risk-taking, and mutual trust and respect. Additionally, Ms. Roberts served NGA as the Comptroller and the Deputy Director of the Analysis and Production Directorate. Ms. Roberts holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics from Morgan State University, in Baltimore, Maryland and a Master of Science degree in National Military Strategy from the Industrial College of the Armed Forces.

(U) Ms. Roberts replaces Dr. Ronald P. Sanders who has served as the IC CHCO since 2005. Dr. Sanders made trailblazing contributions to building unified Intelligence Community workforce. Dr. Sanders is retiring from civil service.

(U) If you have any questions on this matter please contact me on

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February 18, 2010

The Honorable Michael T. McCaul
131 Cannon House Office Building
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Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative McCaul:

Thank you for your letters to Director of National Intelligence Dennis Blair and Director of the National Counter Terrorism Center (NCTC) Michael Leiter regarding the technology offered by 21st Century Technologies. The evaluation of tools such as *Lynxeon* aligns perfectly with our efforts to improve automated entity correlation and link analysis capabilities. The Office of the Director of National Intelligence in partnership with key elements of the Intelligence Community is pursuing newer, more capable systems to address this complex problem.

Lynxeon is already being evaluated by technology experts in the NCTC. The first phase of the *Lynxeon* evaluation has been completed and NCTC's Architecture and Engineering staff has reached out to Ms. Irene Williams at 21st Century Technologies to gather additional insight into this tool.

We are committed to evaluating and implementing the best set of tools to meet Intelligence Community information technology needs. Thank you again for your interest.

If you have any further questions on this matter, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at ----- (b)(3)

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**Admiral Dennis C. Blair
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Washington, DC 20511**

Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share the enclosed letter that I sent to President Obama yesterday containing several bipartisan steps that could be taken immediately to strengthen our national security. I hope you will seriously review these ideas and urge the president to implement them as soon as possible.

Thank you for your consideration and your continued service to our country. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss the ideas further. Please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-225-5136.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
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Dear Vice Chairman Bond:

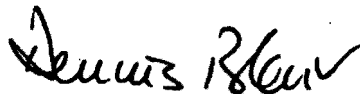
Thank you for your letter of December 18 in which you request, in an unclassified form, "the number of detainees previously held at Guantanamo Bay who, upon release or transfer to a third country, were confirmed or suspected to have returned to the fight against America and our allies."

According to the most recent report to Congress pursuant to section 319 of the Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2009, the Intelligence Community assesses that 20 percent of detainees transferred from Guantanamo are confirmed or suspected of recidivist activity. This figure includes 9.6 percent of detainees who are confirmed recidivists and 10.4 percent of detainees who the Intelligence Community suspects, but is not certain, may have engaged in recidivist activities.

Thank you for your patience as we worked through the declassification and coordination process. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs on

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein

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March 2, 2010

The Honorable Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Director Blair:

The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a closed hearing on the Intelligence Community's (IC's) workforce, to include contractor personnel. The hearing will be held on Thursday, March 11, 2010, at 2:30 p.m. in room SH-219 of the Hart Senate Office Building.

We request that you make available as a witness Lieutenant General John Kimmons, Director of the Intelligence Staff. In addition to Lieutenant General Kimmons, we request that you arrange to have available as supporting witnesses a senior representative from the Central Intelligence Agency, the National Security Agency, the National Reconnaissance Office, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency, and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. We also request that your office's Chief Human Capital Officer and the Associate Director of National Intelligence for Systems and Resource Analysis be in attendance as supporting witnesses.

The hearing will focus on the following issues:

- (1) Should IC personnel continue to grow annually, given budget pressures?
- (2) Is IC policy governing the use of contractors appropriate?
- (3) Is there an effective balance between government and contractor personnel in the IC?
- (4) What is the status and future of "pay for performance" in the IC?

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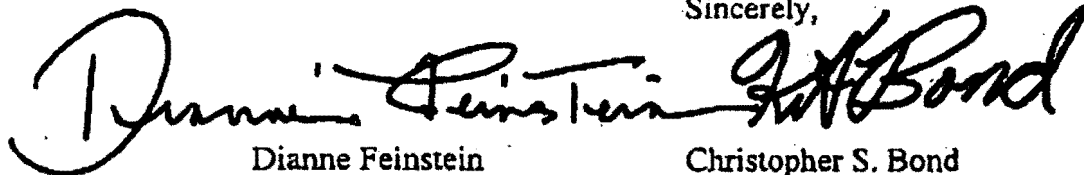
(5) What are the authorities of the Director of National Intelligence with respect to personnel levels and policies both in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and across the IC?

We request that the lead witness provide the Committee a written statement for the record not later than March 8. In the interest of time, however, we request that he provide only a 5-10 minute oral summary of the statement during the hearing. No other statements for the record are required.

If your staff has any questions or would like to discuss the hearing further, please contact Mr. Bryan Smith or Mr. Don Stone, of the Committee Staff,

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Sincerely,

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March 8, 2010

Dear Director Blair,

It is my pleasure to invite you to be a speaker at my ninth annual Ninth District Day. Ninth District Day is an opportunity for nearly one hundred of my district's key civic and business leaders from the Seattle-Tacoma area to gather for a half-day-long seminar in Washington, D.C.

What has made Ninth District Day so successful in years past has unquestionably been the compelling speakers that have volunteered to address my constituents. In years past, speakers have included CNN Terrorism Expert Peter Bergen, ABC News Anchor George Stephanopoulos, Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, former Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert, Secretary of Commerce Carlos M. Gutierrez, NBC News Political Director Chuck Todd, and Special Operations Command (SOCOM) Commander Admiral Eric T. Olson.

This year I would like to again present a wide array of bipartisan speakers from the government, political, business, and media communities. The objective will be to educate and inform my constituents on issues ranging from technology and foreign policy to the domestic priorities and this year's congressional agenda. This variety of topics and speakers will provide my constituents with an opportunity to gain a better understanding of how their government works.

I would be delighted if you would be willing to give a small amount of your time on **Thursday, May 6, 2010 between 8:30 AM and 1:30 PM** to speak at Ninth District Day. This year's event will be held in the **Capitol Visitors Center Congressional Meeting Room South on Capitol Hill**.

Catherine Fish, a member of my staff, will be coordinating the event. Should you or your staff have any questions, please feel free to contact her at (202) 225-8901 or [redacted]. Thank you very much for your consideration, I know your involvement would make a unique and valuable contribution to our event.

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Sincerely,



Adam Smith
Member of Congress

FRANK R. WOLF
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**Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share the enclosed letter that Rep. Myrick and I sent to President Obama today concerning the possible return of former Guantanamo Bay detainee Abdul Hafiz to terrorism in Afghanistan. According to reports in *Newsweek* and *The Long War Journal*, Hafiz has returned to the Taliban and lead kidnapping and extortion efforts against U.S. and coalition aid workers.

Despite repeated assurances from administration officials that the review process would prevent the release of dangerous detainees, it is now clear that those assurances were premature. Detainee recidivism is a serious and growing problem.

I ardently objected to the release of Hafiz and other detainees to Afghanistan, Yemen and Somaliland last December. We must not repeat past mistakes. I urge you to advise the president to follow the right policy as he has done with regard to Yemen and cease additional detainee releases to Afghanistan.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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The Honorable Barack H. Obama
The President
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Dear Mr. President:

We are deeply concerned about recent reports that Abdul Hafiz, a former Guantanamo Bay detainee released by the Obama Administration to Afghanistan on December 19, 2009, has already returned to terrorist activities with the Taliban. As you may know, we ardently opposed the decision to transfer Hafiz and the other detainees to Afghanistan, Yemen, and Somalia last December.

Hafiz was held in Guantanamo for more than six years as "a suspect in the murder of an International Red Cross worker in Afghanistan," according to multiple Department of Defense (DOD) documents. He was captured and transferred to Guantanamo Bay following the 2003 kidnap and murder of Ricardo Munguia, a Salvadoran aid worker with the International Committee of the Red Cross and first aid worker murdered in Afghanistan following the arrival of coalition forces.

Last week, *Newsweek* reported that Taliban leader Mullah Mohammad Omar has appointed "Abdul Qayum Zakir, a former Guantanamo inmate, and Akhtar Mohammad Mansoor, a portly and personable rear-echelon leader, as his deputies... The choice of Zakir, who was released from Guantanamo in late 2007, and who returned to join the Taliban in the field about one year later after being freed by Afghan authorities, is popular with Taliban commanders."

The *Newsweek* article also noted that "[Omar] also appointed another former Gitmo detainee to head a committee in charge of handling the insurgents' hefty ransom demands for their kidnap victims and for dealing with nongovernment-aid organizations who are considering—or may already be running—projects in areas under Taliban influence." This information was confirmed by senior intelligence officials, who identified this former detainee as possibly Hafiz, to The Long War Journal. Disturbingly, Hafiz's new role with the Taliban may be similar to his earlier position, which resulted in the kidnapping and murder of Mr. *Munguia* in 2003.

Given the reported rise in detainee recidivism -- from 13 percent to more than 20 percent over the last year alone -- it is troubling that this administration chose to ignore these findings

The Honorable Barack H. Obama .

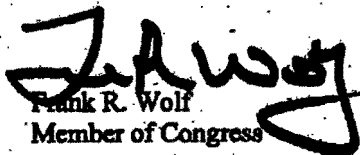
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and continues to suppress Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) reports on recidivism from the American people. We must learn from past mistakes and prevent additional detainees from rejoining the fight against our armed forces and aid workers in Afghanistan. As such, we urge the administration to release an unclassified version of the updated DIA recidivism report to the American people.

We strongly support your decision to cease the release of detainees to Yemen and urge you to extend this policy to Afghanistan and other unstable countries. It is wholly inappropriate to release terrorist detainees to the battlefield in Afghanistan while we have U.S. troops on the ground fighting the Taliban and al Qaeda.

Sincerely,


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April 2, 2010

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Mr. David Shedd
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Washington, DC 20511

Dear Sirs,

It has come to my attention that since 2007, seventy Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS) employees stationed in Ohio have received notices indicating that their eligibility to occupy a sensitive position or access classified information may be denied or revoked, often because of their current financial situation. Given the current state of the economy, I respectfully request a review of the policies that led to these notices as part of your Suitability and Security Clearance Reform Effort.

As part of that review, I would appreciate prompt answers to the following questions:

- 1) Whether there has been an increased number of suitability or security clearance denials across the federal government because of employees' financial situations, including the number of suitability or security clearance denials for financial reasons for each of the past five years;
- 2) Whether suitability and security clearance adjudication policies should be revised to include consideration of an employee's length of service and prior credit history, and if not, why not; and
- 3) Whether suitability and security clearance adjudication policies should be revised to take into account the difficult financial situation many Americans find themselves in at this time due to the poor economy, and if not, why not?

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Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

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George V. Voinovich
United States Senator

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April 5, 2010

Mr. Christopher A. Kojm
Chairman
National Intelligence Council
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Kojm:

We are writing to confirm our invitation for Mr. Andrew M. Gibb, National Intelligence Officer for Weapons of Mass Destruction on the National Intelligence Council, to testify at the closed portion of the hearing of the Senate Armed Services Committee on Wednesday, April 14, 2010, concerning U.S. policy towards the Islamic Republic of Iran. The hearing begins with an open session at 9:30 a.m., in Room SR-253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. Mr. Gibb will be appearing in the closed session in Room SVC-217, the Office of Senate Security in the Capitol Visitor Center, following the open session alongside The Honorable Michèle A. Flournoy, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, or her designee; General James E. Cartwright, USMC, Vice Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and The Honorable William J. Burns, Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs. Mr. Gibb is welcome to sit in on the open session if his schedule permits. His testimony in the closed session will be important to the committee's deliberations on the Fiscal Year 2011 National Defense Authorization Act.

The committee would be interested in an update on: the status of the Government of Iran's nuclear program and its capability and intentions with respect to nuclear weapons; an assessment of the effectiveness and enforcement of unilateral and multilateral sanctions against Iran; ongoing efforts at the United Nations to secure additional multilateral sanctions against the Government of Iran; Iranian activities to block the free and unfiltered flow of information; and U.S. military contingency planning and overall U.S. efforts to engage the Government of Iran.

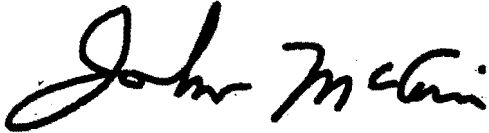
Committee rules require that government witnesses provide a prepared statement. Please provide a statement, both electronically and with 75 paper

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copies, at least 48 hours before the hearing. Please also provide letter size copies of any charts or handouts for distribution to Members and staff. Your staff should contact [redacted] [redacted] (b)(6) [redacted] or [redacted] of the committee staff to resolve any questions you may have as Mr. Gibb prepares for this hearing.

We look forward to Mr. Gibb's testimony.

Sincerely,



John McCain
Ranking Member



Carl Levin
Chairman

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April 8, 2010

Via Electronic Transmission

The Honorable Roslyn A. Mazer
Inspector General
Office of Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Inspector General Mazer:

As the Ranking Members of the Senate Committee on Finance and the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs, Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, we have a duty to conduct oversight into the actions of executive branch agencies. Integral to this effort is ensuring that Inspectors General have the independence necessary to carry out audits, evaluations, and investigations within their respective agencies. During our time in Congress, we have sought to protect the independence of Inspectors General and write today in that continued effort.

Recently we learned that several agencies have sought to interfere with, limit, or outright block investigations, evaluations, or audits by, among others, Inspectors General, or otherwise impede their activities. Simply put, Inspectors General cannot get their job done without assistance and cooperation from the agencies they serve. Despite the need for cooperation, agencies are not always forthcoming with assistance required for Inspectors General to achieve their respective goals. In an effort to monitor agency cooperation, we request that your office list and describe any instances when the Department/Agency resisted and/or objected to oversight activities and/or restricted your access to information. Even temporary delays in granting access to information can be unnecessary and frustrate the mission of Inspectors General, so please include descriptions of instances where information was ultimately provided but only after a substantial delay. Where possible, please include the Department/Agency's reasoning for its actions, if any. When responding to this request, please include all applicable information from October 1, 2008 to the date of this letter. In the event a matter occurs subsequent to the date of this letter, please advise the staff members identified below immediately. We would appreciate receiving this information on June 15, 2010.

Secondly, we are requesting that you provide our staff with biannual reports on all closed investigations, evaluations, and audits conducted by your office that were not disclosed to the public. For example, this may include findings that resulted in an internal Management Implication Report. We would appreciate this non-public information for the period of January 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010 on June 15, 2010.

Thirdly, section 6(f)(3)(E) of the Inspector General Act states that an Inspector General shall have his/her comments included in the budget of the United States Government submitted to Congress if the Inspector General concludes that the budget would "substantially inhibit" the OIG from performing its respective duties. This requirement is essential if Congress is to ensure that Inspectors General are adequately funded. We were troubled to learn of an allegation that the Office of Management (OMB) and Budget told an Assistant Inspector General that OMB would "make life miserable" for the IG if they chose to communicate with Congress concerning their budget. We are also aware that a survey was done and that the Inspector General community did not identify any other situations of concern. In any event, we request that if any federal official threatens and/or otherwise attempts to impede your office's ability to communicate with Congress, whether that communication concerns the budget or any other matter, we wish to be advised immediately.

Finally, we understand that the Ranking Member of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform has requested that you provide information on outstanding recommendations that have not been fully implemented. Please provide a courtesy copy of your reply to us as well.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation with this request. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [redacted] on Senator Grassley's staff at (202) 224-4515, or [redacted] on Senator Coburn's staff at (202) 224-3721. All written responses should be sent in electronic format to [redacted]

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Sincerely,



Charles E. Grassley
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Director Dennis Blair
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Director Blair:

Media reports indicate that you are nearing the completion of an updated National Intelligence Estimate on Iran's nuclear program. Are you able to estimate when you expect that report to be completed and available for Members of Congress to review, and specifically, will the report include a detailed assessment of Iran's potential development, acquisition or use of an electromagnetic pulse (EMP) weapon?

Most open-source assessments of Iran's nuclear program indicate that Tehran may achieve a nuclear capability in one to three years. While it is difficult to template Iran's missile programs and project forward to determine with any certainty when they will develop a reliable ICBM, it seems certain that at some point over the next several years they will achieve an intercontinental reach.

It is also my understanding that the Iranian regime has, as part of its larger ballistic missile development program, detonated a test warhead at the apogee of the missile's trajectory in a training exercise. Experts say this strongly suggests that the objective of such a test is to develop the capability to execute an EMP attack rather than a direct nuclear attack. Further, it is now known that Iranian military officials have written of the devastation that the successful detonation of an EMP weapon over the United States would cause by destroying much of our electrical grid and many of the non-hardened systems and devices linked to it.

The EMP Commission, the Strategic Posture Commission of the United States and the National Academy of Sciences have all reached many of the same conclusions concerning the vulnerability of our society to EMP whether

generated naturally, by instrument, or high-altitude nuclear burst. In short, the physics underpinning this scenario are found plausible by many leading experts. This is of particular concern given that ours is now a world where fanatics increasingly possess the capabilities and determination to realize such a malevolent objective.

Indeed, it is beginning to appear that use of an electromagnetic pulse weapon may soon serve as one of the most effective and dangerous of all asymmetric threats from terrorist organizations or rogue states. Given such a potential, it is imperative that the threat be fully assessed and effectively deterred if deemed as dangerous as many of our nation's experts suggest. If careful analysis discovers the threat is not a priority, an NIE would greatly clarify the debate and assuage the concerns of many. As with all potentially significant threats, our commitment to national security demands that we err on the side of caution.

Recognizing that the ongoing NIE process is nearing completion, I ask for one of the following: Would it be possible at this point to integrate an assessment of the EMP threat into the NIE? If not, I ask the intelligence community to provide a standalone NIE assessment of Iran's intention and ability to develop or acquire an effective EMP capability as soon as possible. Either report should include the use of foreign technical or operational support surrounding such a threat.

I look forward to your response at your very earliest opportunity.

Sincerely,



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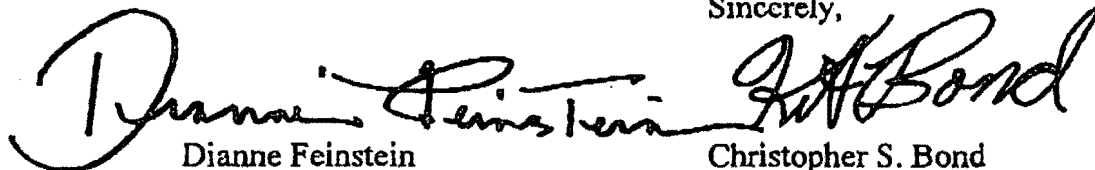
The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a closed hearing on May 11, 2010, 2:30 p.m., in Room SH-219 in the Hart Building on how the Intelligence Community monitors arms control treaties, and its current collection and assessments on Russia's strategic nuclear forces. We ask that you provide such witnesses as you deem appropriate for the hearing.

The purpose of the hearing is to prepare the Committee for consideration of the New START Treaty that was signed by Presidents Obama and Medvedev on April 8, 2010. We understand that the National Intelligence Council is preparing a comprehensive assessment of the Treaty and that a report will be completed this summer.

We request that statements for the record, as well as copies of any briefing materials or supporting materials you may wish to include, be provided, in hard and soft copy, to the Committee by Friday, May 7, 2010.

If your staff has any questions or would like to discuss this hearing further, please contact Mr. Andrew Grotto, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
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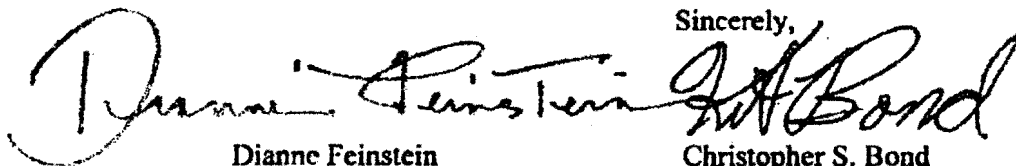
The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a hearing on Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at 2:30 p.m., in room SH-219 of the Senate Hart Building.

At the hearing, the Committee will examine legislative proposals, not previously submitted to Congress prior to this year, requested by the Administration for inclusion in the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011. We request that Mr. Robert Litt, the General Counsel of the Office of the Director of the National Intelligence, testify at this hearing and be accompanied by any additional officials who would be appropriate for answering questions of the Members at the hearing.

The Committee is planning a markup of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2011 on Thursday, June 10, 2010. In order to provide for the necessary preparation for the hearing, we request that the Administration's legislative proposal be submitted to the Committee by May 18, 2009, and that Mr. Litt's written statement for the record be submitted by no later than noon on Friday, June 4, 2010. We anticipate that the provisions addressed in the FY 2010 House or Senate bills will continue to be addressed in the context of securing the enactment of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, rather than as part of the Fiscal Year 2011 legislation.

Please contact Ms. Christine Healey, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700, if your staff has any questions. Thank you for your assistance. We look forward to this hearing.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
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FRANK R. WOLF
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May 6, 2010

Dear Director Blair:

Enclosed is a copy of the letter I sent to President Obama yesterday urging him, again, to implement a series of bipartisan measures that would strengthen our national security.

In the wake of the attempted terrorist attack in Times Square, these proposals are timelier than ever. If we fail to learn from the mistakes of the attempted Christmas Day and Times Square attacks, we will be unable to anticipate and prevent future attacks.

Again, Dennis, I urge you to ask the president to implement these much-needed proposals to protect Americans. I would appreciate your letting me know if you will recommend that the president implement these measures.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

Admiral Dennis C. Blair
Director of National Intelligence
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THANK YOU

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Admiral Dennis C. Blair
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Dear Director Blair:

I wanted to share with you my most recent letter to President Obama urging him, again, to implement a series of four bipartisan proposals that would make our country safer. You will recognize these proposals as I have repeatedly asked for your support for them.

I believe that nearly all of the 14 "points of failure" identified in the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence's report on the failed Christmas Day bombing could have been mitigated by bringing back the co-chairs of the 9/11 commission for a six-month review and by creating a "Team B" of outside experts to review our counterterrorism strategy.

I urge you again to ask the president to implement these bipartisan proposals. We must learn from these attempted attacks against our country and revisit our counterterrorism operations and strategy to prevent future attacks. There is no excuse not to implement these measures.

Since I rarely receive responses to my letters from members of this administration, for the record copies of my correspondence have been submitted to the *Congressional Record*.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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Dear Directors:

A review of the High Value Detainee Interrogation Group (HIG) Charter and initial operation of the HIG leaves me gravely concerned about its radical shift in intelligence collection. It appears poorly designed in concept and execution, the results of which could significantly hamper effective intelligence collection from the most critical high value detainees.

The hasty and ill-considered decision to order the closure of Guantanamo Bay detention facility has shown the danger of setting national security policy based on political expediency. This mistake should not be repeated in detainee interrogation.

Both the initial experience with the HIG and numerous specifics in the classified Charter make it clear that the HIG is centered on fundamentally unworkable and unrealistic concepts of interrogation. There has been no demonstrated success in intelligence collection as a result of any HIG activity. At least one failure has clearly demonstrated the shortcomings of the Charter requirements.

The Charter's ill-conceived and bureaucratic concepts and restrictions make it unlikely to succeed. It detracts from ensuring effective intelligence collection from terrorists and has more to do with interagency politics and "political correctness." The many problems also include the absence of any provisions for managing interrogation of terrorists who refuse to cooperate and the restriction that interrogations will only be permitted to elicit "voluntary statements." These problems alone powerfully demonstrate the futility of the HIG concepts.

Specific elements of the Charter could jeopardize clandestine operations and sensitive cooperation overseas, as well as foreign intelligence collection within the United States.

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The current HIG Charter seeks to impose liability on individual intelligence community personnel involved in HIG operations for potential violations of law, as well as "guidelines and objectives" for interrogation. It also fails entirely to specify how numerous critical situations should be handled. It claims to limit permissible interrogation techniques to those in the Army Field Manual, but then immediately authorizes the use of other "non-coercive" techniques that it does not specify in detail. While such vagueness and contradiction may be politically convenient, it threatens to leave line employees without clear direction. This is completely unacceptable.

Obtaining time-sensitive and actionable intelligence from high value detainees requires speed, agility, and flexibility to deal with emergent situations and circumstances. It is clear that the HIG Charter implementation has not reflected these realities. We need a different approach to ensure that intelligence professionals are fully supported and have clear direction in how to obtain intelligence to counter the terrorist threat.

I look forward to working closely with you and would like to schedule a meeting at your earliest convenience to discuss these issues.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mike Rogers", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mike Rogers
Ranking Republican
Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence,
Analysis and Counterintelligence

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June 21, 2010

The Honorable James R. Clapper, Jr.
Undersecretary of Defense for Intelligence
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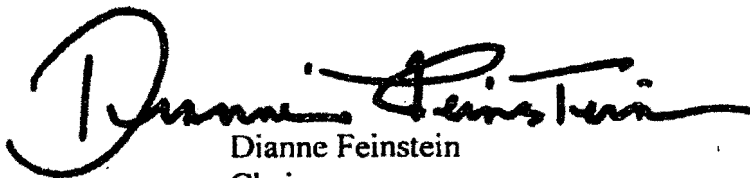
Dear General Clapper:

We congratulate you on your nomination by President Obama to be the Director of National Intelligence.

Please find enclosed our Committee's additional prehearing questions for your completion. We ask that your responses be submitted to the Committee as promptly as possible.

Any questions you may have concerning the Committee's handling of your nomination may be referred to Ms. Christine Healey, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700.

Sincerely,



Dianne Feinstein
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Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
 Chief Financial Officer
 Office of the Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Vacca:

The Committee has received and reviewed your request to reprogram funds within the National Intelligence Program (NIP FY10-009).

The Committee interposes no objection to the proposed reprogramming.

Sincerely,

Norm Dicks

NORM DICKS
 Chairman
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June 23, 2010

The Honorable David Gompert
Acting Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Mr. Gompert:


The Senate Select Committee on Intelligence will conduct a closed briefing on Thursday, July 1, 2010, 2:30 p.m., in Room SH-219 in the Hart Building on the ability of the Intelligence Community to monitor the New START Treaty. We ask that you provide such witnesses as you deem appropriate for the briefing. We also plan to hold a hearing on this issue July 13 as well.

We request that copies of any briefing materials or supporting materials you may wish to include, be provided, in hard and soft copy, to the Committee by Tuesday, June 29, 2010.

If your staff has any questions or would like to discuss this hearing further, please contact Mr. Andrew Grotto, of the Committee staff, at

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Sincerely,



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July 14, 2010

The Honorable David Gompert
Acting Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear Acting Director Gompert,

The House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence Subcommittee on Intelligence Community Management will hold a hearing on the progress of information sharing by the Intelligence Community in support of national security. The hearing will be held on July 27, 2010, from 2:30 to 4:30 pm in HVC-304, U.S. Capitol. We invite you or your designees to testify in this closed session.

One of the significant objectives of the Intelligence Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (IRTPA) was the improvement of information sharing both within the Intelligence Community and among U.S. Government entities in support of national security. Almost six years since passage of IRTPA, the need for better information sharing continues to be cited prominently among the lessons learned from incidents such as Fort Hood and the attempted terrorist attack on December 25, 2009. This hearing will enable us to consider progress toward the goals for information sharing and the challenges which remain to fully accomplish those goals.

The Committee intends to examine the topic as a multi-faceted endeavor for which many enablers, including statute and policy guidance, technology, and leadership, must all play a part. Recognizing the significant responsibilities to facilitate information sharing that IRTPA assigns to the Director of National Intelligence (DNI), we look forward to discussing with you or your designees the use of policy guidance, technological standards, and leadership of the Intelligence Community (IC) to enable information to be shared securely, efficiently, and with adequate protections.

We are aware that the issuance in January 2009 of Intelligence Community Directive (ICD) 501 *Discovery and Retrieval or Dissemination of Information within the Intelligence Community* lays the basis for information sharing across the IC. However, as your March 2009 *Report to Congress Concerning Efforts to Improve Intelligence Information Sharing* notes, additional policy changes were required to "remove information sharing barriers" in multiple Executive Orders. As a result, additional DNI guidelines, some which require approval by the Attorney General, are necessary to implement these changes. The Subcommittee looks forward to hearing an update on the implementation of information sharing, including the remaining challenges at the level of policy, technology, IC-wide compliance, or leadership of cultural change.

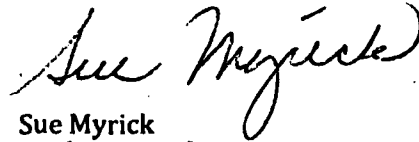
Please provide your statement for the record no later than July 23rd. Questions regarding this hearing may be directed to Ms. Carly Scott, Subcommittee Staff Director, at

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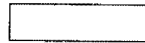
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Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
 Chief Financial Officer
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Dear Ms. Vacca:

The Committee has received and reviewed your request to reprogram funds within the National Intelligence Program (NIP FY10-014).

The Committee interposes one objection to the proposed reprogramming. The source of Research, Development, Test, and Evaluation, Defense-Wide funds reducing a congressional add for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) is not approved.

Sincerely,

Norm Dicks

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July 21, 2010

The Honorable James R. Clapper
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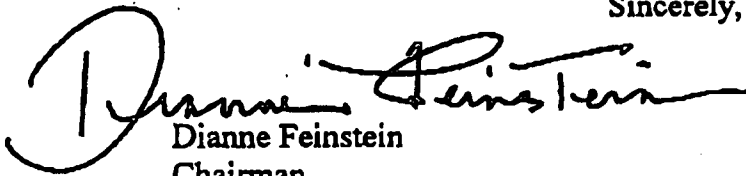
Dear General Clapper:


Thank you for your testimony at the Committee's July 20, 2010 hearing on your nomination to be the Director of National Intelligence.

The Committee is submitting the attached questions for the record to you. The Committee will submit classified questions separately. We request that you respond in writing to these questions as soon as possible. Please provide unclassified responses in a separate document with a classified annex for classified responses.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Ms. Christine Healey, of the Committee staff, at (202) 224-1700.

Sincerely,


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July 27, 2010

The Honorable David C. Gompert
Acting Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Mr. Gompert:

We request that you provide the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence with information regarding the need for and function of Intelligence Community (IC) buildings and facilities.

Since the attacks of September 11th, the Intelligence Community has grown significantly in both budget and personnel. This budgetary and personnel growth has also resulted in the expansion in the number of buildings and related facilities owned and leased by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the individual intelligence agencies, both in the Capitol region and throughout the United States. Such large growth in a relatively short period of time raises the risk of duplicative and redundant structures, and the possibility that certain facilities may be consolidated with substantial cost savings and no loss to mission performance.

We understand that your staff, through the IC Facilities Working Group, is conducting a review of the Intelligence Community's building and facilities, and that individual intelligence agencies are also internally reviewing their facility requirements. We are also interested in conducting a review of Intelligence Community buildings and facilities. We request that you provide the Committee with a list of all Intelligence Community building and facilities that includes the following information:

- Which agency or agencies utilize each building or facility;
- What offices, agencies, organizations, or mission functions are housed in each space;

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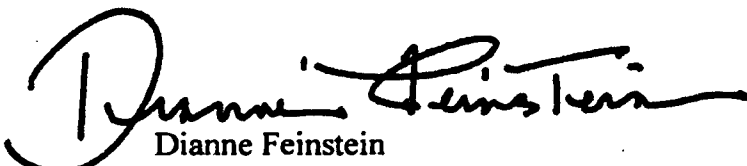
- Whether the building or facility is owned or leased, and, if leased, since when, for what term and at what cost;
- Construction of any new facilities and major renovations or improvements conducted at each building or facility from fiscal year 2000 to the present, and their total cost;
- Any additional construction or leasing of new facilities or major renovations or improvements currently in progress or under consideration, and for those in progress or under consideration at what stage are these current projects;
- For construction, major renovations, or leasing from fiscal year 2000 to the present, please identify the principal descriptions of those activities in budget or other submissions to the Congress;
- The process used and factors considered by the ODNI and individual IC agencies for making building purchase, leasing, or renovation decisions; and
- Any other information that you believe would inform the Committee about the history and present or future challenges of IC building and facility growth.


Attached is an addendum that includes more detail on the information requested. We ask that you provide this information to Committee by August 31, 2010.

We thank you for attention to this request. If your staff have questions regarding this matter, please contact [redacted] the Committee's Budget Director, at [redacted]

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Sincerely,


Dianne Feinstein
Chairman


Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman

Attachment

Information Requested for SSCI Facilities Study

For every facility, owned or leased by the Intelligence Community larger than 5,000 square feet, including government and commercially covered facilities, please provide the following:

1. Location of facility;
2. Facility name;
3. All agencies present in each building (all data should be presented by agency, where space is shared);
4. Where facility appears in the Congressional Budget Justification Book, and/or any other relevant document;
5. Purpose of facility (i.e., whether administrative or general office space, data center, logistics or warehouse facility, industrial, educational, multi-purpose, etc.)
6. Whether each facility is leased or owned:
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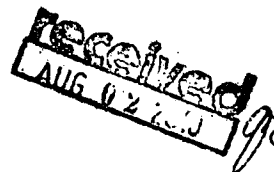
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July 28, 2010



The Honorable David C. Gompert
Acting Director of National Intelligence
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20511

Dear Acting Director Gompert:

Please find attached information submitted to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform Minority staff by representatives of the Ahmad Hamad Algosaiabi & Brothers Company (AHAB) concerning allegations of money laundering perpetrated by Mr. Maan Al Sanea and facilitated through accounts at major U.S. banking institutions. I am conveying this information to you for further investigation as you deem appropriate.

This referral is not an endorsement of these allegations, but rather recognizes the seriousness of the allegations with respect to Federal banking regulations and U.S. national security.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact Christopher Hixon or Hudson Hollister of the Committee staff at (202) 225-5074.

Sincerely,

Darrell E. Issa
Ranking Member

cc: The Honorable Edolphus Towns, Chairman

Attachments:

Submitted by representatives of the Ahmad Hamad Algosaiabi & Brothers Company:

1. AHAB Statement of Claim, Filed in the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands
2. "Overview of AHAB dispute with Maan Al Sanea"
3. "Overview of Algosaiabi Fraud"

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Ms. Marilyn A. Vacca
 Chief Financial Officer
 Office of the Director of National Intelligence
 Washington, DC 20511

Dear Ms. Vacca:

The Committee has received and reviewed your request to reprogram funds within the National Intelligence Program (NIP FY10-016).

The Committee interposes no objection to the proposed reprogramming.

Sincerely,

Norm Dicks

NORM DICKS
 Chairman
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August 5, 2010

General James Clapper
Director of National Intelligence
Washington, DC 20511

Dear General Clapper:

Congratulations on your confirmation to serve as the Director of National Intelligence. I appreciated talking with you recently about our shared interest in protecting U.S. national security through a robust intelligence mission. I was greatly impressed to learn that you were the instigator of the critical effort to compensate and stabilize funding for the NNSA national laboratories, and I share your commitment to sustaining the laboratories' intelligence and defense missions.

As you know, the modernization of the nuclear deterrence mission at the NNSA laboratories has been a major priority for me; I believe this important goal can be aided by establishing baseline funding for the non-weapons mission (including the capital costs), providing a persistent infrastructure, and maintaining technical expertise. I was gratified to hear from you that you share that goal.

During my recent visit to Los Alamos and Sandia National Laboratories, I received an overview of their intelligence activities and was very impressed by the skills and capabilities resident in those facilities. They, along with Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and other NNSA facilities, provide excellent resources to the intelligence community, the Department of Defense and the Department of Homeland Security, in addition to the Department of Energy.

In your new capacity as Director of National Intelligence, I hope that you will bring the process you started to a successful conclusion. I would like to be supportive in any way possible. To that end, at your earliest convenience, please provide me with further details on the process set up by the memorandum you spearheaded. Additionally, could you please describe what you see as the main objectives of the governance council and do you foresee enduring financial support for the national laboratories? Lastly, I would like to know if you expect to take action on budgeting that will be reflected in the President's FY12 budget submission, or earlier.

I look forward to your response to these questions, and I hope to maintain a dialogue with you on the topic. I thank you for the service you provide this nation. Congratulations again on your recent confirmation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon Kyl", with a stylized flourish at the end.

JON KYL
United States Senator

CC: Steven Chu, Secretary of Energy
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Via Email

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The Honorable Michael E. Leiter
Director, National Counterterrorism Center
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Mr. Leiter:

We would like to invite you to testify at a hearing titled "Nine Years After 9/11: Confronting the Terrorist Threat to the Homeland" before the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on Wednesday, September 22, 2010, at 10 a.m. in SD-342, Dirksen Senate Office Building.

The purpose of the hearing is to examine the current terrorist threats to the homeland and to assess the nation's efforts to address these threats. In particular, the committee is interested in looking at whether the U.S. government is appropriately employing all instruments of national power in countering terrorism inspired by violent Islamist ideologies and in preventing the spread of home-based terrorism.

The committee requests that you summarize your testimony in 10 minutes or less, although a longer written statement may be submitted for the official record. This will allow adequate time for you to engage in questions and answers with members of the committee. Committee rules require that your testimony be submitted by 10 a.m. on Monday, September 20, 2010. Please send your written statement and a brief biography via email to the committee's chief clerk, Trina Tyrer, at

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We look forward to your participation in this hearing. If you have any questions, please contact Christian Beckner with the majority staff at 202-224-2627 or Rob Strayer with the minority staff at 202-224-4751.

Sincerely,



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Mr. James R. Clapper
Office of the Director of National Intelligence
Washington DC 20511-0001

Dear Director Clapper:

I have enclosed a letter which I received from one of my constituents, [REDACTED] (b)(6)
[REDACTED] regarding a matter under your department's jurisdiction.

I would appreciate it if you would review the enclosed correspondence and address the issues it discusses. It would be helpful if you would address your response to me, to the attention of [REDACTED] at my Herndon office. (b)(6)

Thank you for your time and courtesy in being attentive to the concerns of my constituent.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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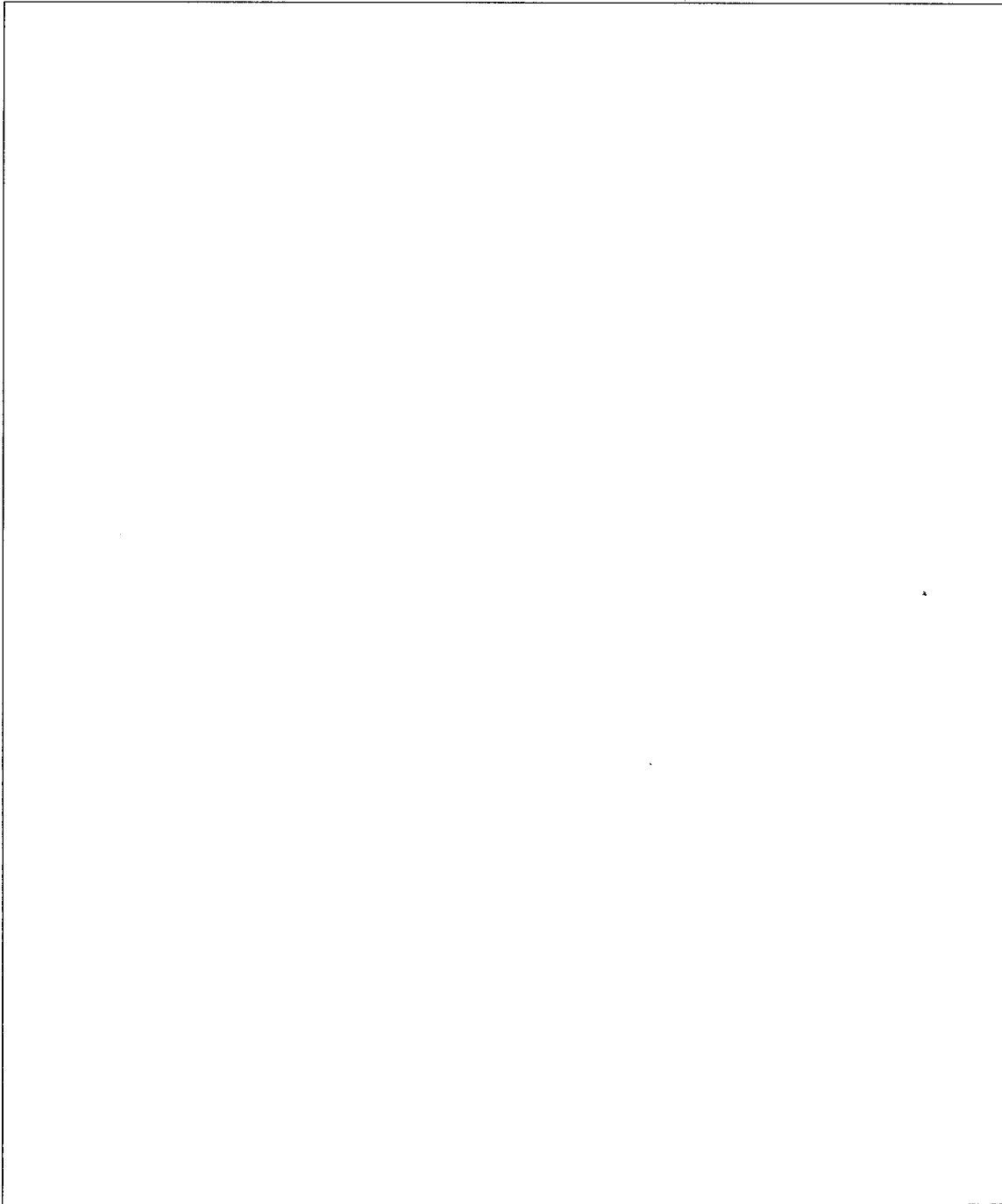
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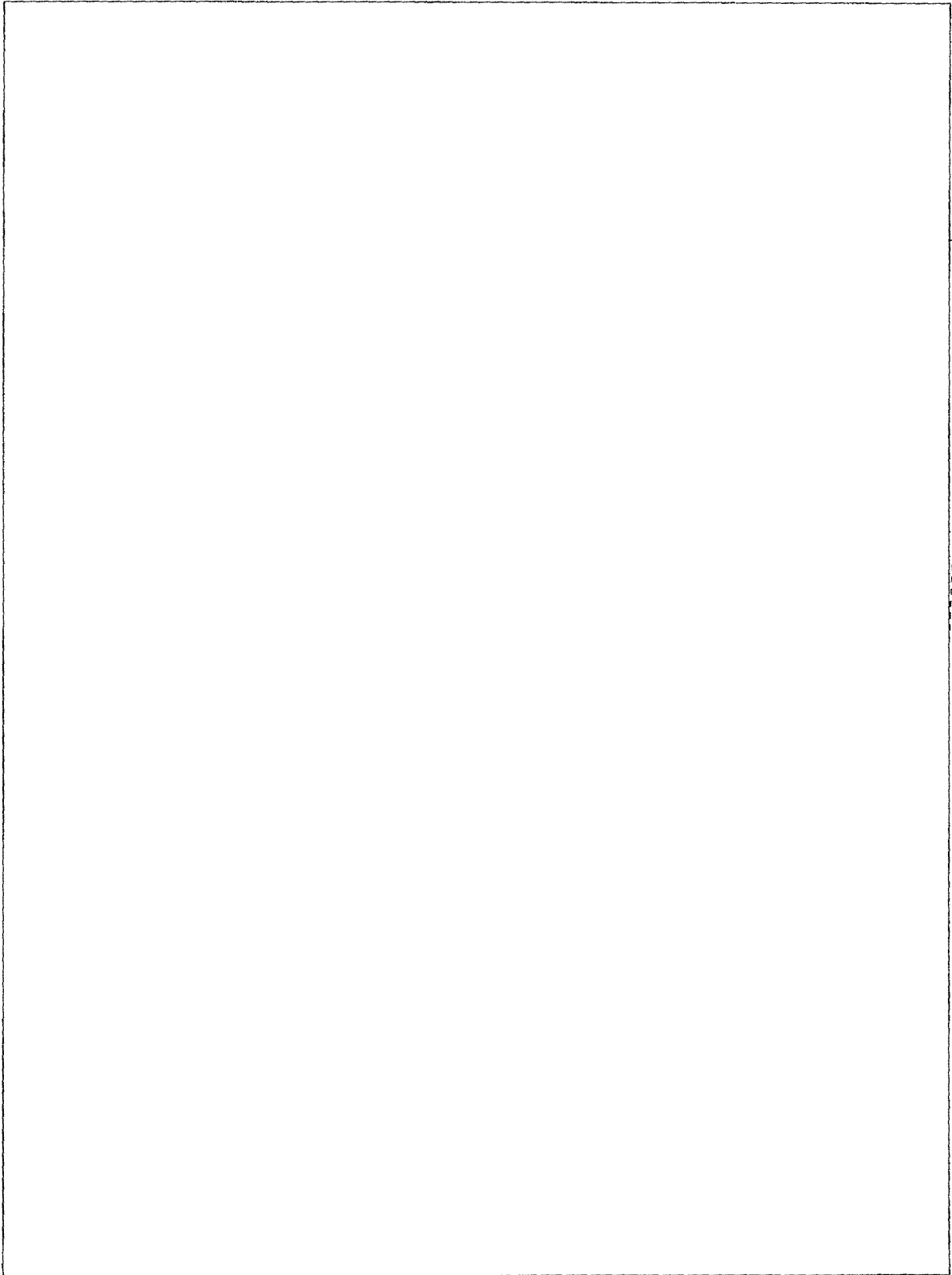
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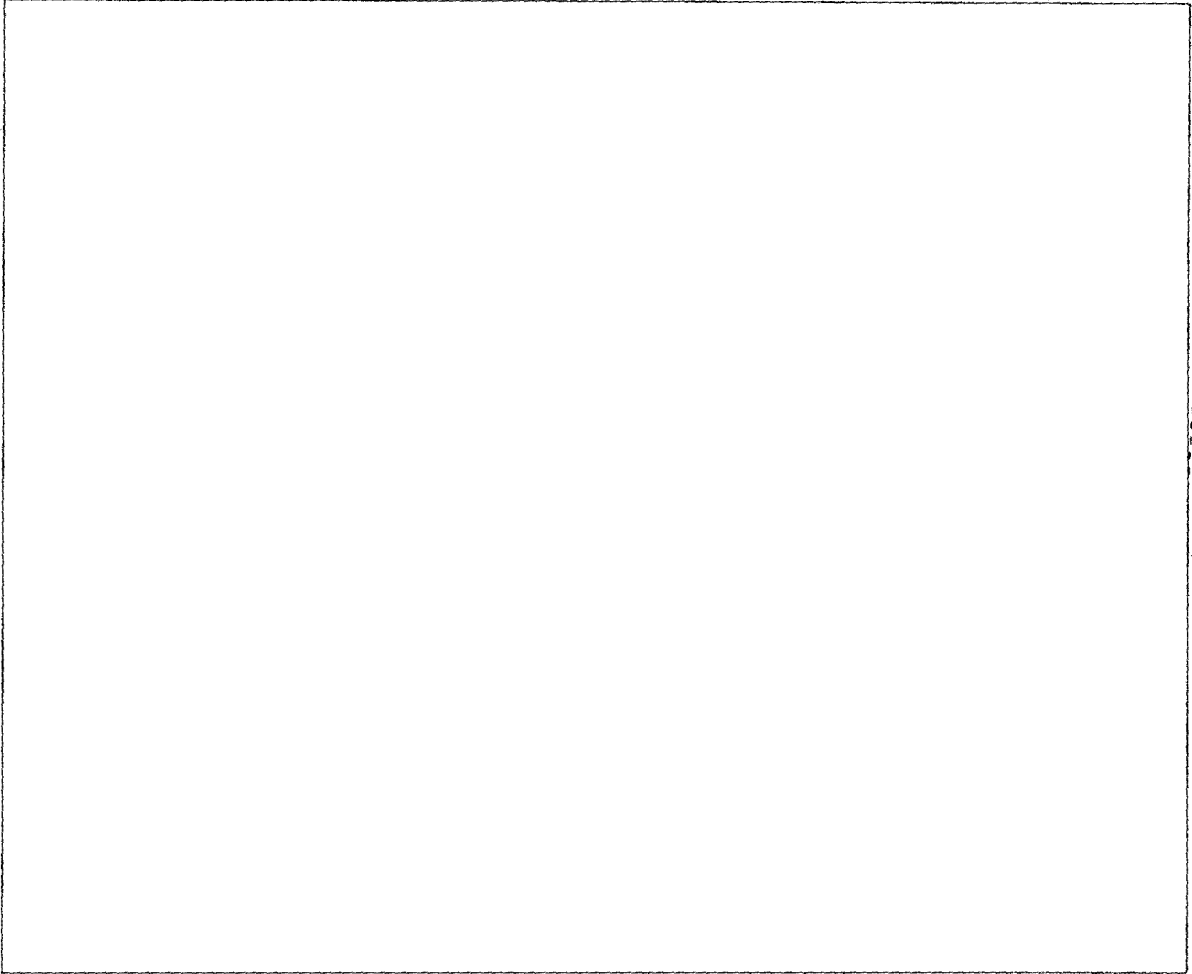


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Lt. General James R. Clapper
Director, National Intelligence
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Dear General Clapper:

First, let me congratulate you on your recent confirmation as Director of National Intelligence. Your appointment is an indication of your dedication and service to the country and your extensive knowledge of national security issues. I share a strong interest in ensuring our nation's security, and this concern is the reason I am contacting you.

I would respectfully request that you meet with representatives of VECTOR Technologies in order for them to brief you and the National Counter Intelligence Executive, Mr. Robert Bryant, on a patent pending technology they have developed that defeats all data theft threats resulting from the use of personal electronic devices as outlined in your agency's directives.

Their cutting-edge technology defeats all data theft threats and provides a secure environment for electronic devices. This very specific technology is available only from VECTOR Technologies and when utilized provides the highest level of protection against data theft. Their technology is currently deployed in a variety of locations throughout the government, including the White House.

I thank you again for your service and your consideration of this request in accordance with all applicable statutes, regulations and rules. To schedule a meeting with company representatives, please contact Mr. Mark Tubbs at 804-221-8150.

Sincerely,


James P. Moran

FRANK R. WOLF
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Lt. Gen James Clapper
Director of National Intelligence
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Dear Lt. Gen Clapper:

I have enclosed a copy of a letter from a constituent who is the mother of six children, all of whom are currently serving or have served in the U.S. military. She offers her unique perspective on an idea I first proposed to the administration on August 4—namely the creation of an Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group. I have also enclosed a copy of my original letter for your reference.

I implore you to consider my constituent's views—the views of an “American mother with children glad to serve our country,” and to move swiftly to establish an Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group, modeled after the Iraq Study Group, to bring “fresh eyes” to the war effort in Afghanistan.

The group would be comprised of nationally known and respected individuals who love their country more than their political party and would serve to provide much-needed clarity to a policy that increasingly appears adrift. Candidly, after reading yesterday's *Washington Post* piece adapted from Bob Woodward's, “Obama's Wars,” I have serious concerns that the needed clarity about our aim in Afghanistan ever existed within the administration. Woodward writes, “Even at the end of the process, the president's team wrestled with the most basic questions about the war, then entering its ninth year: What is the mission? What are we trying to do? What will work?” These are sobering questions—but they are questions that must be answered and the Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group is just the means to arrive at these answers in a way that honors our men and women in uniform.

In the halls of Congress or the White House, at Foggy Bottom or the Pentagon, policy discussions can at times be detached from the actual lives that are most directly impacted by the decisions being made. This couldn't be further from the case for this mother. She doesn't have that luxury when it comes to the war in Afghanistan. And we mustn't either. This is not a matter of politics—or at least it ought not be—for it is always in our national interest to openly assess the challenges before us and to chart a clear course to victory. Frankly, I've been deeply troubled by Woodward's reporting which indicates that discussions of the war strategy were infused with political calculations. An Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group could help redeem what was clearly a flawed process.

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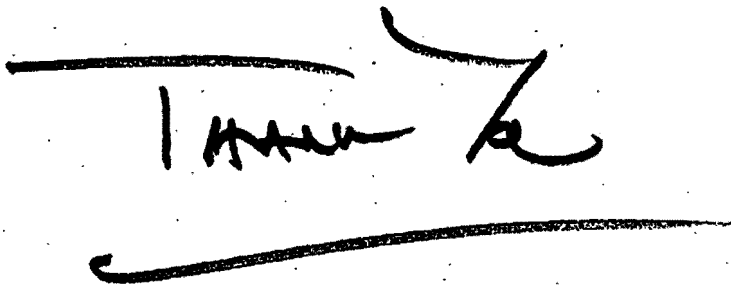
I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank R. Wolf", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized with a large "F" and a long, sweeping underline.

Dear Congressman Wolf:

I have read your proposal for the formation of an Afghanistan/Pakistan Study Group with deep personal interest and approbation. I applaud its respectful, well-reasoned, bipartisan approach to rethinking the war in Afghanistan. The following are my personal thoughts regarding this war. Please accept them as the insights of an average American mother.

It has been troubling to me how distant this war is for so many Americans. Many are only vaguely aware of the events taking place, other than perhaps the recent increase in the number of casualties. Even gathering information of what is daily happening in Afghanistan hasn't been easy. I comb the internet daily searching many different online news sources in an attempt to be informed. Our country is at war and yet so often the top news items contain nothing regarding it. Often it is the local papers in towns with soldiers, sailors and marines serving in Afghanistan that contain the most news. Other times it is the news stations with an embedded reporter who will have a flurry of articles while the reporter is there but then nothing once they return.

The War on Terror is not just impersonal news but it is a war that strikes very close to home. My father has a dear friend whose son-in-law died in the Twin Towers. I have a friend who lost a son in Iraq during the battle for Fallujah. A student of mine lost her fiancée in the war. My children and son-in-law have served in both Iraq and Afghanistan and have buddies injured or killed in action.

One of my daughters is currently serving in Afghanistan in a Combat Support Hospital. She arrived in time to experience first hand the peak number of casualties in June and July. In a recent news interview her Commanding Officer said they are seeing an almost constant stream of casualties; something that none of them were prepared for, but will remember the horrors of the rest of their lives.

It has sometimes appeared that the efforts in Afghanistan have trudged along, with success measured in part by the areas in which we have gained some measure of control versus the price paid in human lives both civilian and military. The casualties suffered aren't just numbers to me; each name, each face, represents a family who is paying the ultimate price, the loss of a son or daughter, brother or sister, father or mother; a family that will never be the same. Therefore, I wholeheartedly support the formation of an Afghanistan/Pakistan Study Group in the hope that it will help to turn the tide of this war and lessen the number of casualties as well.

I, too, have a deep respect and confidence in Gen. Petraus and would not want my comments to be construed as being critical of the leadership of our military. I have no formal training in political science or history so please accept these comments as simply the perspective of an American mother with children glad to serve our country.

God bless you and give you wisdom as you serve in the leadership of our country.

Sincerely,

PS It meant so much to see my sons receive a standing ovation when introduced during last weeks luncheon. It is these very Lance Corporals, Corporals and Sergeants who are almost daily listed among the casualties. My son, [REDACTED], remarked that listening to your speech "restored his faith in the republic". Thank you again for recognizing their service.

FRANK R. WOLF
19TH DISTRICT, VIRGINIA

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The Honorable Barack H. Obama
The President
The White House
Washington DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

On September 14, 2001, following the catastrophic and deliberate terrorist attack on our country, I voted to go to war in Afghanistan. I stand by that decision and have the utmost confidence in General Petraeus's proven leadership. I also remain unequivocally committed to the success of our mission there and to the more than 100,000 American troops sacrificing toward that end. In fact, it is this commitment which has led me to write to you. While I have been a consistent supporter of the war effort in both Afghanistan and Iraq, I believe that with this support comes a responsibility. This was true during a Republican administration in the midst of the wars, and it remains true today.

In 2005, I returned from my third trip to Iraq where I saw firsthand the deteriorating security situation. I was deeply concerned that Congress was failing to exercise the necessary oversight of the war effort. Against this backdrop I authored the legislation that created the Iraq Study Group (ISG). The ISG was a 10-member bipartisan group of well-respected, nationally known figures who were brought together with the help of four reputable organizations—the U.S. Institute for Peace, the Center for the Study of the Presidency, the Center for Strategic and International Studies, and the Baker Institute for Public Policy at Rice University—and charged with undertaking a comprehensive review of U.S. efforts there. This panel was intended to serve as “fresh eyes on the target”—the target being success in Iraq.

While reticent at first, to their credit President Bush, State Secretary Rice and Defense Secretary Rumsfeld came to support the ISG, ably led by bipartisan co-chairs, former Secretary of State James Baker and former Congressman Lee Hamilton. Two members of your national security team, Secretary of Defense Robert Gates and CIA Director Leon Panetta, saw the merit of the ISG and, in fact, served on the panel. Vice President Biden, too, then serving in the Senate, was supportive and saw it as a means to unite the Congress at a critical time. A number of the ISG's recommendations and ideas were adopted. Retired General Jack Keane, senior military adviser to the ISG, was a lead proponent of “the surge,” and the ISG referenced the possibility on page 73. Aside from the specific policy recommendations of the panel, the ISG helped force a moment of truth in our national conversation about the war effort.

I believe our nation is again facing such a moment in the Afghanistan war effort, and that a similar model is needed. In recent days I have spoken with a number of knowledgeable individuals including former senior diplomats, public policy experts and retired and active military. Many believe our Afghanistan policy is adrift, and all agreed that there is an urgent need for what I call an

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Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group (APSG). We must examine our efforts in the region holistically, given Pakistan's strategic significance to our efforts in Afghanistan and the Taliban's presence in that country as well, especially in the border areas.

This likely will not come as a surprise to you as commander in chief. You are well acquainted with the sobering statistics of the past several weeks—notably that July surpassed June as the deadliest month for U.S. troops. There is a palpable shift in the nation's mood and in the halls of Congress. A July 2010 CBS news poll found that 62 percent of Americans say the war is going badly in Afghanistan, up from 49 percent in May. Further, last week, 102 Democrats voted against the war spending bill, which is 70 more than last year, and they were joined by 12 members of my own party. Senator Lindsay Graham, speaking last Sunday on CNN's "State of the Union," candidly expressed concern about an "unholy alliance" emerging of anti-war Democrats and Republicans.

I have heard it said that Vietnam was not lost in Saigon; rather, it was lost in Washington. While the Vietnam and Afghanistan parallels are imperfect at best, the shadow of history looms large. Eroding political will has consequences—and in the case of Afghanistan, the stakes could not be higher. A year ago, speaking before the Veterans of Foreign War National Convention, you rightly said, "Those who attacked America on 9/11 are plotting to do so again. If left unchecked, the Taliban insurgency will mean an even larger safe haven from which al Qaeda would plot to kill more Americans. So this is not only a war worth fighting...this is fundamental to the defense of our people." Indeed it is fundamental. We must soberly consider the implications of failure in Afghanistan. Those that we know for certain are chilling—namely an emboldened al-Qaeda, a reconstituted Taliban with an open staging ground for future worldwide attacks, and a destabilized, nuclear-armed Pakistan.

Given these realities and wavering public and political support, I urge you to act immediately, through executive order, to convene an Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group modeled after the Iraq Study Group. The participation of nationally known and respected individuals is of paramount importance. Among the names that surfaced in my discussions with others, all of whom more than meet the criteria described above, are ISG co-chairs Baker and Hamilton; former Senators Chuck Robb, Bob Kerrey and Sam Nunn; former Congressman Duncan Hunter; former U.S. ambassador Ryan Crocker; former Secretary of Defense James Schlesinger, and General Keane. These names are simply suggestions among a cadre of capable men and women, as evidenced by the make-up of the ISG, who would be more than up to the task.

I firmly believe that an Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group could reinvigorate national confidence in how America can be successful and move toward a shared mission in Afghanistan. This is a crucial task. On the Sunday morning news shows this past weekend, it was unsettling to hear conflicting statements from within the leadership of the administration that revealed a lack of clarity about the end game in Afghanistan. How much more so is this true for the rest of the country? An APSG is necessary for precisely that reason. We are nine years into our nation's longest running war and the American people and their elected representatives do not have a clear sense of what we are aiming to achieve, why it is necessary and how far we are from attaining that goal. Further, an APSG could strengthen many of our NATO allies in Afghanistan who are also

The Honorable Barack H. Obama
August 4, 2010
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facing dwindling public support, as evidenced by the recent Dutch troop withdrawal, and would give them a tangible vision to which to commit.

Just as was true at the time of the Iraq Study Group, I believe that Americans of all political viewpoints, liberals and conservatives alike, and varied opinions on the war will embrace this "fresh eyes" approach. Like the previous administration's support of the Iraq Study Group, which involved taking the group's members to Iraq and providing high-level access to policy and decision makers, I urge you to embrace an Afghanistan-Pakistan Study Group. It is always in our national interest to openly assess the challenges before us and to chart a clear course to success.

As you know, the full Congress comes back in session in mid-September—days after Americans around the country will once again pause and remember that horrific morning nine years ago when passenger airlines became weapons, when the skyline of one of America's greatest cities was forever changed, when a symbol of America's military might was left with a gaping hole. The experts with whom I have spoken in recent days believe that time is of the essence in moving forward with a study panel, and waiting for Congress to reconvene is too long to wait. As such, I am hopeful you will use an executive order and the power of the bully pulpit to convene this group in short order, and explain to the American people why it is both necessary and timely. Should you choose not to take this path, respectfully, I intend to offer an amendment by whatever vehicle necessary to mandate the group's creation at the earliest possible opportunity.

The ISG's report opened with a letter from the co-chairs that read, "There is no magic formula to solve the problems of Iraq. However, there are actions that can be taken to improve the situation and protect American interests." The same can be said of Afghanistan.

I understand that you are a great admirer of Abraham Lincoln. He, too, governed during a time of war, albeit a war that pitted brother against brother, and father against son. In the midst of that epic struggle, he relied on a cabinet with strong, often times opposing viewpoints. Historians assert this served to develop his thinking on complex matters. Similarly, while total agreement may not emerge from a study group for Afghanistan and Pakistan, I believe that vigorous, thoughtful and principled debate and discussion among some of our nation's greatest minds on these matters will only serve the national interest. The biblical admonition that iron sharpens iron rings true.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,


Frank R. Wolf
Member of Congress

P.S. We as a nation must be successful in Afghanistan. We owe this to our men and women in the military serving in harm's way and to the American people.

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

March 26, 2010

Dear [REDACTED]

I am writing to formally advise you of the curtailment of [REDACTED] detail
to the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence. Based on mutual agreement [REDACTED]
has returned to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence effective 16 March,
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The Honorable Adam Smith
2402 Rayburn House Office Building
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Smith:

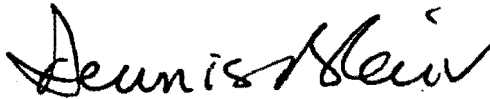
Thank you for the invitation to participate in your Ninth District Day on May 6. I am honored to be included in the company of your distinguished past speakers and have asked my staff to contact Ms. Catherine Fish to arrange my participation.

I look forward to engaging your constituents and describing the role of the Intelligence Community and our joint efforts to protect the American people. Thank you for your continued support for our intelligence professionals and your thoughtful oversight as a member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence.

Please contact Ms. Kathleen Turner, the Director of Legislative Affairs, at if you have any further questions related to my participation.

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Sincerely,



Dennis C. Blair

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

APR 29 2010

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Pieter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
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Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hoekstra:

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The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
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Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Cochran:

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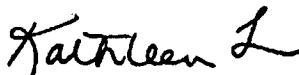
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The Honorable Norman Dicks
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House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
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House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

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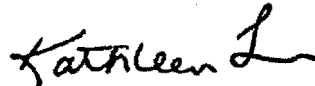
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The Honorable Ike Skelton
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

APR 29 2010

The Honorable Howard P. "Buck" McKeon
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member McKeon:

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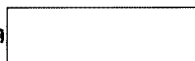
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The Honorable Carl Levin
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
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The Honorable John McCain
Ranking Member
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MAY 3 2010

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Eshoo:

Thank you for your concern regarding the increased presence of Chinese-manufactured equipment in the United States' telecommunications infrastructure as expressed in your March 22, 2010 letter. You have raised important issues which concern me and have significant national security implications.

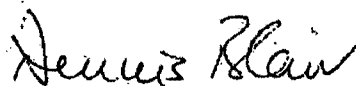
Per your request, I have asked my National Counterintelligence Executive (NCIX), Robert M. Bryant to conduct a classified and, where possible, unclassified review of the following by December 30, 2010:

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- The tools that U.S. intelligence and national security agencies have to address risks arising from the use of Chinese-origin telecommunications equipment or services.
- Agency use of those tools to date.

NCIX Bryant will work closely with the National Security Agency and other members of the Intelligence Community as necessary to prepare this assessment. We will provide you with a status briefing in September 2010.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to my Office of Legislative Affairs at [redacted] (b)(3) should you have any additional concerns. Thank you and I look forward to working with you on this important national security matter.

Sincerely,



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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
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Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

During my testimony at the December 3, 2009 hearing on unauthorized disclosures, I promised to provide the Committee a 90 day status report of actions initiated by my office to invigorate and improve our abilities to detect and deter leaks. They include:

- A DNI memorandum to heads of Intelligence Community (IC) agencies directing them to pursue internal administrative actions instead of their past practice of primary reliance on the criminal process;
- Reaching agreement with the Department of Justice (DoJ) and the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to return actionable cases to the referring agencies for consideration of administrative action;
- Creation of two new training courses;
- Leveraging technology to deter media leaks.

Additionally, you sent me a letter on February 11, 2010 requesting crimes reporting and several other types of information concerning media leak investigations. My staff is actively working with the DoJ to reach an agreement to determine what information can be provided to the Committee concerning crimes reports without impacting ongoing criminal investigations. Once an agreement is reached, I will promptly notify the Committee of the decision and the information that can be shared.

My primary initiative since the 3 December hearing has been to emphasize IC agencies should pursue internal administrative investigations and implement administrative actions instead of relying primarily on the criminal process. I will issue shortly an IC-wide memorandum directing agency heads to more vigorously pursue administrative actions in leaks cases.

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein and The Honorable Christopher S. Bond

To support this initiative, I am directing IC agencies to work with the DoJ to quickly assess whether an incident should be pursued through administrative authorities rather than a criminal investigation. If an IC agency determines it wishes to pursue an administrative investigation, it will notify the DoJ of this intention as part of the Crimes Report submission. The DoJ has agreed to decide within 21 days of receipt of the Crimes Report whether they will pursue a criminal investigation of the incident. If the referring agency is not contacted by DoJ within 21 days, the agency will then proceed with its internal investigation utilizing all administrative tools within its authority.

Our experience leads us to conclude that most of the leaks currently under criminal investigation have a low probability of being prosecuted. As the result of discussions among my office, DoJ, and the FBI, actionable cases will be returned to the referring agency to either complete the investigative process or take administrative actions based on the results of the FBI investigation. The FBI has reported they have completed their initial analysis of all open investigations and will obtain final concurrence from DoJ in the near future of cases to be returned to the IC. My office will closely monitor this new initiative and provide any assistance we can to the referring agencies.

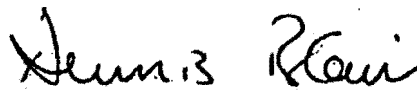
Since the 3 December hearing, my office has initiated a robust, web-based IC-wide Unauthorized Disclosure training initiative. This initiative will create two standardized training courses - one targeting the general IC employee population and the other specifically targeting the security, investigator, and executive audiences. Course outlines and content have been defined and content reviews and final course narratives will soon be completed. Community-wide dissemination of both training courses is planned for later this summer.

My office is also committed to leveraging technology where available to both deter media leaks and identify the culprit when an incident occurs. My staff continues their collaboration with security, counterintelligence, and information technology professionals throughout the IC to fully understand available and developing technology that can be implemented to assist with this effort.

I appreciate the Committee's support and attention to this critically important matter. My commitment remains focused on finding solutions to reduce and potentially eliminate leaks of national security information. If you have any questions, please contact the Office of Legislative Affairs at [redacted].

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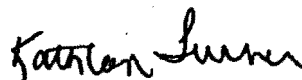
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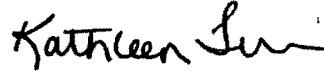
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MAY 14 2010

The Honorable Norman Dicks
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
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House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

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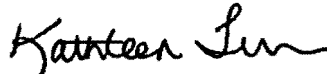
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May 24, 2010

Honorable George V. Voinovich
United States Senate
524 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-3504

Dear Senator Voinovich:

Thank you for your letter of April 2, 2010, in which you asked us to review, as part of the Suitability and Security Clearance Reform effort, the policies that apply with respect how an individual's financial situation is taken into consideration, when the Federal Government is deciding whether an individual is eligible to hold a sensitive position or to have access to classified information.

We appreciate the opportunity to respond to the three questions that you have raised. In this response, we are providing answers to the second and third questions and an interim response to your first question (we will be providing you a further response on your first question). These answers are in the attachment.

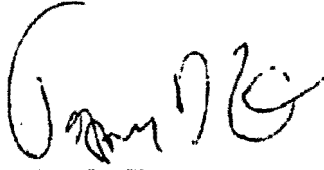
We share your goal of personnel security and suitability policies that are fair, effective, and consistently applied, and that properly take into account the circumstances faced by individuals whose eligibility is being adjudicated. To that end, and in response to your letter, we have reviewed our policies in this area. Based on our review, we believe that the existing policies, as reflected in the adjudicative guidelines, adequately take into account current economic conditions and their effect on prospective Federal employees, and we do not believe that revisions to those adjudicative guidelines are necessary.

Please note that this response addresses the broad policy questions raised in your letter. Questions related to the specific circumstances of individual applicants and/or employees and their status at the Defense Department should be addressed to [redacted] at [redacted]

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Thank you again for your letter.

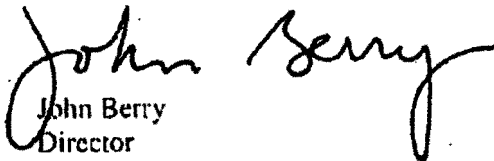


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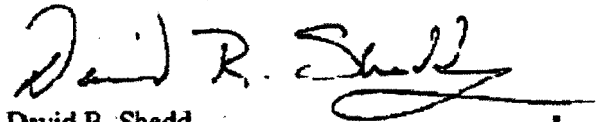
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James R. Clapper
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Office of the Director of National Intelligence

Attachment

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
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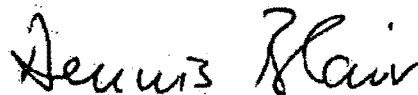
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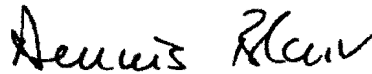
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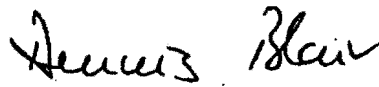
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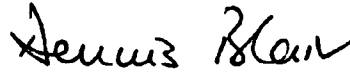
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

15 June 2010

The Honorable Charles E. Grassley
Ranking Member
Committee on Finance
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Tom Coburn
Ranking Member
Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations
Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Ranking Members Grassley and Coburn:

Thank you for your 8 April 2010 letter and your continued dedication to the role of independent Inspectors General. The independence of Inspectors General is critical to conducting meaningful audits, evaluations, investigations, and other management reviews. I will address the requests in your letter as they pertain to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) since the beginning of my tenure as the ODNI Inspector General in April 2009.

1. Cooperation from ODNI Management

During my tenure, I have not experienced an instance when the ODNI management team has resisted or objected to the OIG's activities. The ODNI leadership has been cooperative in participating in OIG audits, evaluations, investigations, and reviews and in providing input into the ODNI biannual Work Plan.

2. Biannual Report on Closed Matters not Disclosed to Public

Our reports generally are not disclosed to the public because of the classified nature of our work. We provide all final reports of audits, inspections, evaluations, and reviews to the intelligence oversight committees. Consistent with the general practice in the IG community, we do not routinely provide reports of investigations to the committees, but rather notify them of significant investigative reports and offer briefings of those matters. In addition, we summarize significant investigations, including those of senior officials, in our semiannual reports to Congress.

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The OIG has produced two semiannual reports covering the period 1 January to 31 December 2009. Both reports are classified and were delivered to the intelligence oversight and appropriations committees. We are in the process of preparing the semiannual report for the period 1 Jan to 30 June 2010. Upon concurrence of the A/DNI, that report will be sent to Congress this summer.

3. Communications with Congress

Pursuant to ODNI policy, all congressional communications are transmitted through the ODNI's Office of Legislative Affairs (OLA). Therefore, the OIG coordinates all congressional interactions through OLA.

Statutory IGs have direct reporting lines to Congress under the Inspector General Act of 1978. However, the ODNI IG is appointed by the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) and reports solely to the DNI. The Fiscal Year 2010 Intelligence Authorization bill (S. 1494), pending in Congress, would create a Presidentially-appointed, Senate-confirmed Inspector General for the Intelligence Community and would establish a dual reporting requirement to Congress and the agency head, similar to that of other statutory IGs.

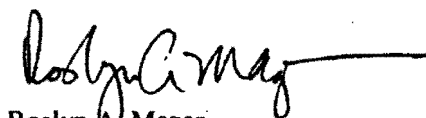
4. Unimplemented ODNI OIG Recommendations

Beginning in early 2009, ODNI management and the OIG instituted a review process that tracks the implementation of all outstanding OIG recommendations. This process has resulted in over 94% of OIG recommendations in reports issued since 2007 being closed or substantially closed. We plan to provide the House Committee on Government Oversight and Reform a list of pending unclassified unimplemented recommendations after we complete our semiannual report in July and will coordinate with the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence in providing you a copy of our report.

I hope that this information is useful for your review. If you have any further questions, please contact me or Deputy Inspector General Scott Dahl in my office at [REDACTED]

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Sincerely,



Roslyn A. Mazer

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

June 15, 2010

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

- (i) Dennis C. Blair resigned as Director of National Intelligence on May 28, 2010.
- (ii) David C. Gompert assumed the role of Acting Director of National Intelligence on May 29, 2010.
- (iii) James R. Clapper was nominated by the President to be Director of National Intelligence on June 7, 2010.

The ODNI's Vacancies Reform Act contact is [redacted] She can be reached at [redacted] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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June 15, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
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Washington, D.C. 20515

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

June 26, 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20501

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Enclosed please find the completed responses to the Additional Prehearing Questions in support of the nomination of Mr. James R. Clapper, Jr. to be the Director of National Intelligence.

If you have any questions on this matter, please contact me on (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 21, 2010

The Honorable Howard L. Berman
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Affairs
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Ileana Ros-Lehtinen
Ranking Member
Committee on Foreign Affairs
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Ros-Lehtinen:

I am replying to your letter to Acting Director Gompert dated June 17, 2010 regarding a Capitol Network (CapNet) installation for your committee. We support your request for this capability. The following addresses actions completed and those remaining to be accomplished in support of this requirement.

CapNet was established in 2003 at the direction of Congress to provide the Congressional Oversight Committees (Intelligence) with Top Secret – Sensitive Compartmented Information-level e-mail and file transfer capability with the Intelligence Community (IC). As referenced in your letter, since that time, access to CapNet has been expanded beyond the Oversight Committees to select other congressional entities with a demonstrated requirement for access to finished Intelligence products.

On 23 June, our CapNet Program Manager Ms. Sledjeski and CapNet Engineer Mr. Woolfolk, met with Ms. Rush from your committee staff and Messrs Wilson and Bolyen from the House Office of Security. They jointly conducted a walk through of your proposed Sensitive Compartmented Information Facility (SCIF) and discovered that the area where CapNet would be installed is not yet completed and remains in various stages of construction. None of the participants were able to determine if the necessary communications infrastructures (proper cables, T-1 lines) were in place. Additionally, Mr. Woolfolk confirmed that he had not previously visited this location.

Based on the walk through, the following actions have been identified to complete a CapNet installation:

- Complete SCIF build out (committee action)
- Obtain SCIF accreditation (committee action)


- Conduct a formal site survey (ODNI action, currently scheduled for 29 July)
- Confirm installation of communications infrastructures (committee action)
- Finalize Customer Requirements Document for committee signature (ODNI action)
- Prepare and order the Bill of Materials (BOM) (ODNI action)
- Deliver and install equipment (ODNI action)

o NOTE: SCIF must be accredited before this action can take place

We understand the Committees' interest in receiving this capability and we look forward to supporting this installation. Please contact me or if you have any questions.

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Director of Legislative Affairs

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 23, 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

August 10, 2010

The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam Speaker:

Enclosed please find the Office of the Director of National Intelligence's (ODNI) notification pursuant to the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (Vacancies Reform Act), 5 U.S.C. §§ 3345-3349d:

- (i) James R. Clapper was confirmed by the Senate to be Director of National Intelligence on August 6, 2010.

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JUL 28 2010

The Honorable Ike Skelton
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Howard P. "Buck" McKeon
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member McKeon:

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JUL 28 2010

The Honorable Carl Levin
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable John McCain
Ranking Member
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member McCain:

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JUL 28 2010

The Honorable Norman Dicks
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Young:

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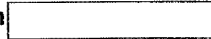
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JUL 28 2010

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Cochran:

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The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

JUL 28 2010

The Honorable Peter Hockstra
Ranking Member
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hockstra:

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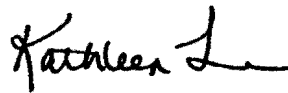
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JUL 26 2010

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Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM MANAGER, INFORMATION SHARING ENVIRONMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 30, 2010

The Honorable Barbara A. Mikulski
Chairwoman
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
Science and Related Agencies
Appropriations Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Richard C. Shelby
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
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Dear Madam Chairwoman and Ranking Member Shelby:

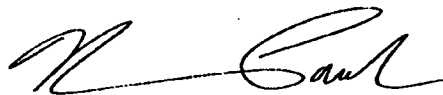
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM MANAGER, INFORMATION SHARING ENVIRONMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 30, 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Jeff Sessions
Ranking Member
Senate Committee on the Judiciary
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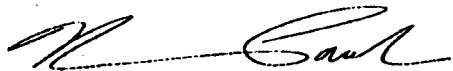
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable David E. Price
Chairman
Subcommittee on Homeland Security
Appropriations Committee
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Harold Rogers
Ranking Member
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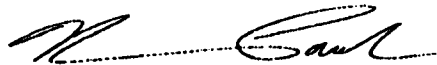
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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
PROGRAM MANAGER, INFORMATION SHARING ENVIRONMENT
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

July 30, 2010

The Honorable Edolphus Towns
Chairman
Committee on Oversight
and Government Reform
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Darrell Issa
Ranking Member
Committee on Oversight
and Government Reform
House of Representatives
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Issa:

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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
Chairman
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Peter Hoekstra
Ranking Member
Permanent Select Committee
on Intelligence
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Dear Mr. Chairman and Ranking Member Hoekstra:

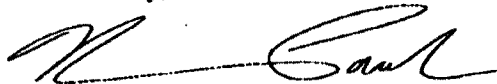
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Lamar S. Smith
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
House of Representatives
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
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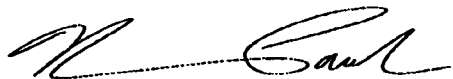
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Joseph I. Lieberman
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs
United States Senate
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The Honorable Susan M. Collins
Ranking Member
Committee on Homeland Security
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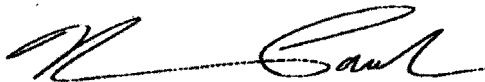
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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi
Speaker of the House of Representatives
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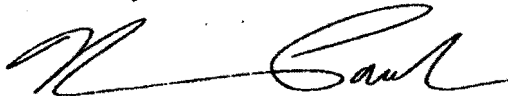
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Norman Dicks
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable C.W. "Bill" Young
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Frank R. Lautenberg
Chairman
Subcommittee on Homeland Security
Appropriations Committee
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable George V. Voinovich
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Subcommittee on Homeland Security
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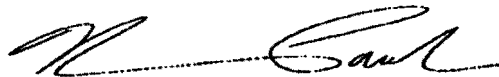
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Alan B. Mollohan
Chairman
Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice,
Science and Related Agencies
Appropriations Committee
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Frank R. Wolf
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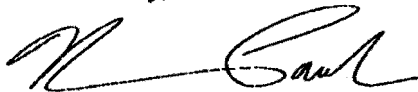
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July 30, 2010

The Honorable Bennie G. Thompson
Chairman
Committee on Homeland Security
House of Representatives
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The Honorable Peter King
Ranking Member
Committee on Homeland Security
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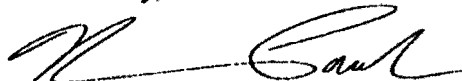
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August 10, 2010

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

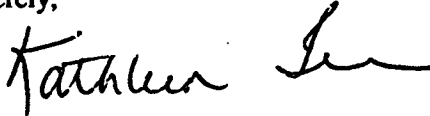
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- (i) James R. Clapper was confirmed by the Senate to be Director of National Intelligence on August 6, 2010.

The ODNI's Vacancies Reform Act contact is [redacted] She can be reached at [redacted] (b)(3)

Sincerely,



Kathleen Turner
Director of Legislative Affairs

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

September 8, 2010

The Honorable Joseph R. Biden
President of the Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

September 9, 2010

The Honorable Sheldon Whitehouse
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Whitehouse:

This responds to your March 8, 2010 letter to the Attorney General and Director of National Intelligence, regarding testimony given by former Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Steven G. Bradbury before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence concerning the Central Intelligence Agency's former detention and interrogation program. We apologize for our delay in responding to your letter.

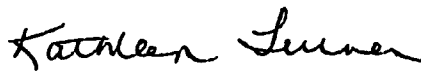
You have asked us for a classification determination regarding certain portions of the transcript of Mr. Bradbury's testimony. Given the declassification and disclosure of the Office of Legal Counsel memoranda related to the CIA's interrogation program, the CIA has determined that these excerpts are unclassified.

The Committee may wish to consider whether these materials should be publicly disclosed in accordance with Senate Rules and Procedures, and what effect such disclosure may have on the Committee's ability to preserve the confidentiality of its oversight proceedings. Finally, if the Committee plans to release this transcript, please use the attached version, which redacts certain classification markings.

Please contact the undersigned at if you have additional questions.

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cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
The Honorable Eric Holder

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

September 14, 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

This responds to your February 11, 2010 letter to the Director of National Intelligence (DNI) concerning unauthorized disclosures of classified information.

Unauthorized disclosures of classified information can be extremely damaging to national security. The Department of Justice, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, takes seriously its law enforcement responsibilities relating to unauthorized disclosures that violate the law. On May 21, 2010, then DNI Blair issued the enclosed memorandum to Intelligence Community agency heads reaffirming that administrative processes should also be used to address leaks of classified information. This initiative directs Intelligence Community agencies to work with the Department of Justice to quickly assess whether an incident should be pursued through administrative authorities rather than a criminal investigation.

During the Committee's hearing on December 3, 2009, the Attorney General and the DNI were asked if the Intelligence Community would routinely provide information to the Intelligence Committees concerning the unauthorized disclosures of classified information to the media. Your February 11, 2010 letter details the specific information you would like us to provide. Oversight of the Intelligence Community by the Intelligence Committees is vital to the Intelligence Community's success. To that end, we strive, to the fullest extent possible, to provide the Intelligence Committees the information requested to fulfill their critical oversight role. This includes information on leaks of classified information. Indeed, Intelligence Community Policy Memorandum 2005-100-3 requires that Congress be notified of "the loss or compromise of classified intelligence information on such a scale or over such an extended period as to indicate the possibility of a systemic compromise, or a loss or compromise that investigation indicates poses a substantial risk to US national security activities." See *Intelligence Community Policy Memorandum 2005-100-3*.

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As you are aware, however, the Department of Justice has a long-standing and well-founded policy of declining to provide non-public information about ongoing criminal investigations and prosecutions. The Department also has substantial confidentiality interests in documents reflecting its internal prosecutorial decision-making process. The Department's policy helps to ensure the integrity of its law enforcement efforts by protecting information about the direction of an investigation, the evidence the government has obtained, and assessments of the strengths and weakness of the evidence. We believe that this policy also is important to ensuring public confidence in the independence of our law enforcement efforts.

The Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) and Department of Justice have worked closely with your staff to assess what information can be disclosed about leaks of classified information that both provides the Committees the information they need to fulfill their important oversight responsibilities and protects the law enforcement interests underlying the Department of Justice's policy.

The Intelligence Community will be able to provide the Intelligence Committees considerable information on leaks of classified information. First, ODNI will assure that the Intelligence Community continues to fulfill its responsibility to notify the Intelligence Committees about any significant leak of classified information to the media. We will continue to adhere to this policy, and will err on the side of providing notification of leaks of sensitive information when there is any doubt about whether this standard is met. Going forward, Intelligence Community notifications about leaks of classified information will include (1) the date and title of the specific article where classified information was disclosed; (2) the specific information in the article that was classified; and (3) confirmation that the Intelligence Community element has reported the leak to the Attorney General pursuant to section 1.6(b) of Executive Order 12333 and the Memorandum of Understanding between the Attorney General and Intelligence Community elements.

In addition, each Intelligence Community element will notify the Intelligence Committees concerning administrative sanctions imposed by the Intelligence Community against any employee for the unauthorized disclosure of classified information. This notification will identify information disclosed by an Intelligence Community employee as well as the administrative sanction that was imposed for such disclosure.

Finally, in January of each year, the Department of Justice will provide the following information from the prior calendar year to the Intelligence Committees: the number of leak matters reported to the Attorney General by the Intelligence Community and the number of matters that were referred to the originating agencies for administrative action.

We believe that this information will provide the Intelligence Committees with the information they need to ensure that the Executive Branch is appropriately addressing leaks of classified information. We appreciate your interest in this important topic, and we will ensure you receive a copy of any additional guidance provided to Intelligence Community on the obligation to conduct administrative investigations.

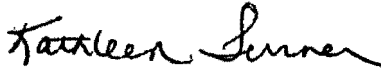
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Kathleen Turner
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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

E/S 00212

MEMORANDUM FOR: Distribution

SUBJECT: Intelligence Community Handling of Unauthorized Disclosures

REFERENCE: Intelligence Community Directive 701, "Security Policy Directive for Unauthorized Disclosures of Classified Information," dated 14 March 07

During my 3 December 2009 testimony before the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence, I renewed my commitment to proactively confront the issue of unauthorized disclosures in the media. In accordance with my responsibility to protect intelligence sources and methods, I have decided to refocus the Intelligence Community (IC) agencies' handling of leaks to the media and to streamline the process for the initial assessment and reporting of these disclosures.

Each IC agency will continue to follow established internal procedures to determine whether information appearing in the media constitutes an unauthorized disclosure of properly classified information. When an IC agency files a "Crimes Report" based on an unauthorized disclosure that has occurred that includes a request for an FBI investigation, the Report should include thorough answers to the Department of Justice's (DOJ) Eleven Questions. The affected agency will submit the "Crimes Report" to the DOJ and Office of the Director of National Intelligence's Special Security Center (SSC). In the cases where the agency desires to conduct an internal administrative investigation, the DOJ has agreed to inform the IC agency and SSC within 21 days of the receipt of a Crimes Report whether DOJ intends to conduct a criminal investigation. If DOJ elects to conduct a criminal investigation, the IC agency shall consult with DOJ about how best to assist in the investigation. If DOJ elects not to conduct a criminal investigation or does not notify the IC agency and SSC within 21 days, the IC agency may begin an administrative investigation into the unauthorized disclosure. These new procedures will be critical to reinvigorate efforts to detect and deter unauthorized disclosures and hold accountable those individuals who betray our trust by disclosing classified information.

When an IC agency pursues an administrative investigation into an unauthorized disclosure, it will provide the SSC with status reports as necessary on the progress of the investigation in a format to be established by the SSC.

The SSC will continue to coordinate joint notifications to the DOJ if an unauthorized disclosure is determined to contain multiple IC agency equities. The SSC will also be responsible for providing investigative assistance and coordinating investigative activity between IC agencies as required. If a suspect is identified as the result of an administrative investigation, IC agencies will notify the DOJ.

Past government studies have confirmed that "leaks" by the media have significantly impaired U.S. capabilities against our hardest targets, caused grave harm to national security, and collectively cost the American people hundreds of millions of dollars. It is my intention to take the necessary actions to decrease their occurrence and reduce this harm.

Dennis C. Blair
Dennis C. Blair

5/21/2010
Date

SUBJECT: Intelligence Community Handling of Unauthorized Disclosures

Distribution:

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OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
Washington DC 20505

SEP 15 2010

The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Christopher Bond
Vice Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairman Feinstein and Vice Chairman Bond:

This letter serves as an unclassified addendum to NCTC Director, Mike Leiter's, letter to you dated September 14, 2010, regarding the need for two critically important Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) exemptions.

The first of these provides that files forwarded to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) by the operational elements do not lose their Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) exemptions under Title VII of the National Security Act merely because they have been forwarded to the ODNI. This provision will facilitate information sharing by removing any real or perceived barriers to Intelligence Community elements sharing information with the National Counterterrorism Center (NCTC) and the ODNI. NCTC is the primary organization in the United States Government for integrating and analyzing intelligence pertaining to terrorism and serves as the central and shared knowledge bank on terrorism information. In order to succeed at its core mission it is vital that NCTC have access to a broad array of information held by elements of the Intelligence Community. This provision will significantly improve upon information-sharing mechanisms designed to address shortcomings identified in your Committee's report on the failed attack on Northwest Flight 253. We are very pleased that the Senate chose to include this provision in its recently-passed Intelligence Authorization bill (S. 3611).

The second proposal involves the protection of terrorist identity information. To ensure the widest possible dissemination and use of terrorist identity information by our Federal, State, Local, Tribal and Private counterterrorism partners, it is necessary to disseminate such information in an unclassified, but sensitive, format. Terrorist identity information is disseminated not just for screening purposes, but also for other counterterrorism purposes that help enhance the security of the nation. Because it is unclassified when disseminated, there is not an explicit provision in the FOIA that protects terrorist identity information that is used for screening and other counterterrorism purposes by name.

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The public release of terrorist identity information can have a significant adverse impact on counterterrorism efforts. The disclosure of an individual's watchlist status may, for example, reveal that an individual, and the groups with which they are affiliated, are a subject of interest to the counterterrorism community. Additionally, individuals who learn of their status may be able to identify the means by which that information was obtained, potentially endangering classified intelligence or law enforcement sources. Furthermore, the risk remains that an individual could alter his behavior to include attempts at circumventing the screening process.

Explicit statutory protections of operational files described by Title VII of the National Security Act of 1947 provided to ODNI, and for terrorist identity information disseminated to all of our counterterrorism partners will allow a uniform response to FOIA requests across the federal government, and minimize the costly litigation and expenditure of resources by agencies responding to FOIA requests. We strongly believe that these provisions will facilitate enhanced information sharing between agencies and other US entities, and encourage agencies to provide all relevant information for counterterrorism purposes.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at [redacted] or [redacted] (b)(3)
[redacted] at [redacted]

Sincerely,



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Director of Legislative Affairs

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DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
WASHINGTON, DC 20511

SEP 22 2010

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Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Ron Paul
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Jim McGovern
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representatives Jones, Kucinich, Paul, and McGovern:

I am writing in response to your June 23, 2010 letter in which you asked then Acting Director of National Intelligence (DNI) Gompert to declassify all classified material under his authority pertaining to American Prisoners of War (POWs) from Southeast Asia. I am honored to assist you in this effort. I believe strongly that we have a commitment to the families and loved ones of our heroes to return or account for all who have fought bravely on behalf of our country. We are both working to the same goal.

I support the declassification of relevant information to the greatest extent possible. To accomplish this, the Intelligence Community must examine each record for intelligence sources and methods and be sensitive to privacy concerns. The majority of the documents you seek are currently in the possession of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) and are undergoing declassification review. Those records will be made available by the end of 2013 in accordance with the President's memorandum implementing Executive Order 13526.

The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has declassified and released thousands of pages of documents related to prisoners of war captured during the Vietnam War as directed under Executive Order 12812 (1992) and NSC-8 (1993). In addition, CIA is currently working with researchers from the Joint POW/MIA Accounting Command (JPAC) to review approximately 150 files of corporate Air America records. This effort will enable JPAC to open new cases, pinpoint crash site locations and provide their forensics department with biological profiles and precise physical characteristic information for their identification processes. CIA made their review of these documents a priority to support JPAC's mission to identify and bring home the remains of missing U.S. POW and MIA personnel.

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The Defense POW/Missing Personnel Office (DPMO), as the lead agency for the Department of Defense (DoD) for declassification and release of all DoD records relating to Vietnam-era POWs, has, since the early 1990s, led a vigorous effort to review and declassify all records in accordance with Executive Order 12812, NSC-8, and 50 U.S.C. Section 435 (referred to as the McCain Bill). The McCain Bill requires public disclosure of all information contained in DoD files pertaining to unaccounted for personnel from the Korean War, the Vietnam War, and the Cold War, with the permission of the primary next of kin (PNOK). However, information exempt from release under EO 12812, i.e. military plans, foreign government information, intelligence activities and other categories of information listed in the EO is excised before the document is released. As required by that law, all Vietnam-era information that is releasable is placed in the Library of Congress (LOC). This information is indexed, key word searchable, and assessable via the LOC POW/Missing in Action (MIA) website. To date, over 1,037,000 pages of POW/MIA related documents, photos, and maps have been placed in the LOC for public access. DPMO continues to review and release material as new POW/MIA related documents are created or discovered, individuals are accounted for, or PNOK permission is granted.

Please be assured that the Intelligence Community remains committed to making these records available in the most efficient manner possible and will continue all efforts to ensure that happens. If you have additional questions, please contact Kathleen Turner in the Office of Legislative Affairs on -----

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Sincerely,


James R. Clapper

cc: The Honorable Silvestre Reyes
The Honorable Peter Hoekstra

DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE
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The Honorable C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Ruppersberger:

Dutch -
I cordially invite you to be the keynote speaker at the upcoming Intelligence Community (IC) Wounded Warrior Internship Fair to be held on Wednesday, October 20, 2010, at the National Security Agency cafeteria at Fort Meade, Maryland. The objective of the event is to provide wounded soldiers recuperating in the Washington D.C. area internship opportunities at the 17 IC agencies and elements. The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with a welcome to the troops by senior IC leaders. I would like you to provide remarks at 10:00 a.m.

Approximately 200 wounded service men and women are expected to attend the event, and they would benefit from your words of encouragement and recognition of the valuable contributions they can make to the U.S. Intelligence Community. I plan to speak at the event, as well as the Director of the National Security Agency, General Keith Alexander. The IC agencies/elements' recruiters will attend the fair to actively recruit Wounded Warriors to fill internship positions.

The IC Wounded Warrior Program is a successful, collaborative endeavor led by the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Human Capital. Though primarily an internship program, a growing number of internships have resulted in permanent employment within the IC.

We hope your schedule will permit you to participate in this worthwhile event. If you have any questions, please contact in the Office of Legislative Affairs, at (b)(3)

Sincerely,

Jim

James R. Clapper

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Intelligence Community Wounded Warrior Internship Fair October 20, 2010

0900 -0940	Arrival and Welcome	Cafeteria Annex
0940 - 0950	Welcome, introduction of speakers, Cafeteria	Mr. Chad Kueser Wounded Warrior Alumni
0950 - 1000	Welcome comments	General Keith Alexander Director, National Security Agency
1000 - 1030	Keynote Speaker /Q&A	The Honorable C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger House Select Committee on Intelligence Representative for Maryland's Second Congressional District
1030-1040	Opportunities in the Intelligence Community (IC)	The Honorable James R. Clapper Director, National Intelligence
1040 - 1050	Disabilities in the IC	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px; margin-bottom: 5px;"></div> IC Equal Employment, Opportunity Outreach Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI)
1050 - 1100	Administrative Remarks; Agency Internship Opportunities SF-86/Resume Writing Workshops	Group A Group B
1100 - 1230	Agency Internship Opportunities SF-86 and Resume Writing Workshops	Group A: Cafeteria Group B: Cafeteria Annex
1230 - 1315	Working Lunch-The President's Veterans Employment Initiative	Ray Decker Assistant Director, Veterans Employment Programs Office of Personnel Management
	Personal WW Testimonials	Former Wounded Warriors (TBD)
1315 - 1445	Agency Internship Opportunities SF-86 and Resume Writing Workshops	Group B; Cafeteria Group A; Cafeteria Annex
1445 - 1450	Cafeteria Consolidation	Wounded Warriors
1450 - 1500	Closing Remarks	Paula Roberts Assistant Director of National Intelligence for Human Capital
1500 - 1530	Load Buses and Depart	Wounded Warriors

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