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The Honorable Porter Goss
Director
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, DC 20505

Dear Porter:

We have received the Inspector General's Accountability Report on 9/11, as well as the accompanying comments filed by those named in the report.

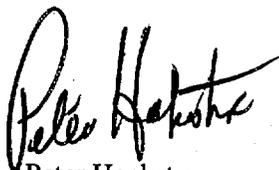
Although the report contains highly classified information on intelligence sources and methods that must be protected, we encourage you to develop and release an unclassified public version of the report as soon as possible. The report was requested by the Joint Congressional Inquiry, which you co-chaired, to bring to light potential failures to detect and prevent the 9/11 terrorist attacks. We believe the public has a right to know if people should be held accountable for those failures as a result of gross negligence or misconduct. More importantly, the public also should know what steps should be taken in the future for the CIA to address the findings of the report.

The released version should contain as much of the content of the classified report as possible. Indeed, much of the information in the IG's report has already been declassified in the 2002 Report of the Congressional Joint Inquiry and the 2004 Report of the Kean-Hamilton Commission.

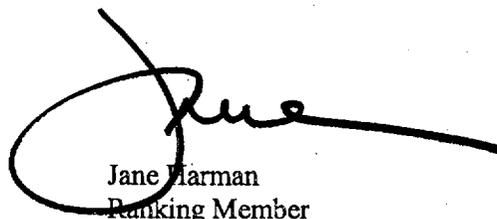
We also strongly urge you to similarly review for declassification the comments filed by those named in the report and release those comments publicly if those named consent to their statements being released.

Releasing the comments of those named will facilitate a full and open debate about whether the report is accurate.

Sincerely,



Peter Hoekstra
Chairman



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