May 7, 2010

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

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

The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
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The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Chairman
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U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Madam and Messrs. Chairman:

(U) The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 2008, P.L. 110-261, 122 Stat. 2438 (hereinafter “FAA” or “the Act”), requires the Attorney General and the Director of National Intelligence to assess compliance with certain procedures and guidelines under the FAA, and to submit such assessments to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC) and relevant congressional committees at least once every six months.

(U) The enclosed report sets forth the Department of Justice and the Director of National Intelligence’s third joint compliance assessment under the FAA, covering the period from June 1, 2009, through November 30, 2009.

(U) The enclosed assessment is highly classified, and, accordingly, while four copies of the report are being provided for review by Members and appropriately cleared staff from the four Committees, the copies are being delivered to the Intelligence Committees and House and Senate Security Offices for appropriate storage.
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(U) If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact [redacted] in the ODNI Office of Legislative Affairs at [redacted] or Tammi Simpson in the DOJ Office of Legislative Affairs at (202) 307-5721.

Sincerely,

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Director of Legislative Affairs  
Office of the Director of National Intelligence

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Christopher S. Bond  
The Honorable Jeff Sessions  
The Honorable Peter Hoekstra  
The Honorable Lamar S. Smith