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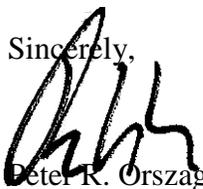
The Honorable Dianne Feinstein
Chairwoman
Select Committee on Intelligence
U.S. Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Madam Chairwoman:

On March 15, 2010, I wrote to raise several serious concerns with provisions in S. 1494 and H.R. 2701, the Intelligence Authorization Acts for Fiscal Year 2010, as passed by the Senate and the House of Representatives. We appreciate your willingness to work with the Administration over the past several months to address these concerns. The Administration has reviewed the House-Senate agreement embodied in the June 2, 2010 2:05 p.m. draft bill provided to us on June 7, 2010. In addition, this Office has reviewed the classified annex to the bill provided on June 10, 2010. I am pleased to be able to inform you that, on the assumption that there will be no material changes in either the unclassified bill or the classified annex from the versions that were reviewed, the President's senior advisors would recommend that he sign this bill if it is presented for his signature.

The final draft bill is a significant step forward from previous versions. We greatly appreciate your willingness to accommodate many of the Administration's concerns, including removing the provision giving the Comptroller General unprecedented oversight of sensitive intelligence activities; amending the existing congressional notification provision; eliminating the provision requiring Senate confirmation for the heads of certain Intelligence Community elements; and modifying the provision requiring disclosure of the National Intelligence Program to allow the President to waive the requirement if such disclosure would damage the national security.

Thank you again for all of your work on this important piece of legislation.

Sincerely,

Peter R. Orszag
Director

Identical Letter Sent to The Honorable Silvestre Reyes,
The Honorable Christopher Bond, and The Honorable Peter Hoekstra