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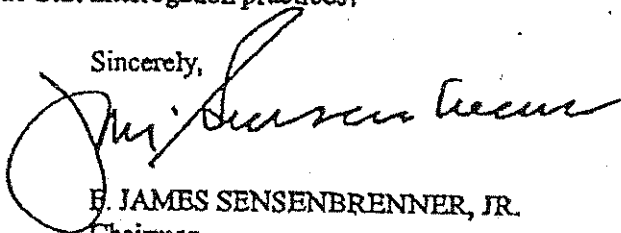
The Honorable John Ashcroft
Attorney General of the United States
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Attorney General Ashcroft:

In the next two weeks, the Committee on the Judiciary plans to consider H.Res. 700, which directs you as the Attorney General to transmit to the House of Representatives documents relating to the treatment of prisoners and detainees in Iraq, Afghanistan, and Guantanamo Bay. This resolution seeks various documents, including reports of the International Committee on the Red Cross and Amnesty International; documents related to the legality of interrogation techniques; and documentation addressing military training, military command relationships, and certain military detention practices.

The Administration's policy regarding the legality of interrogation techniques is an area of significant interest to Congress. We understand that the Administration has released a number of documents related to this issue. What assurances can you give the Committee that the Department of Justice documents that have been publicly disclosed have covered the opinions that the Department has rendered about U.S. interrogation practices?

Sincerely,



F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.
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