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COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

WASHINGTON, DC 20510-6225

May 17, 1994

The President
 The White House
 Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

In anticipation of your nomination of Robert Pastor to be Ambassador to Panama, which will necessitate Foreign Relations Committee deliberations, it is essential that the Committee be provided information relating to Mr. Pastor's past involvement in U.S. policy-making with regard to Latin America.

To this end, we will appreciate your providing us with all documents in the custody of, or under the control of, the Executive branch which meet the description set forth in Attachment I (including documents generated within and received by the Executive branch).

For purposes of this request, "documents" has the same meaning as provided in Rule 34(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and includes, but is not limited to:

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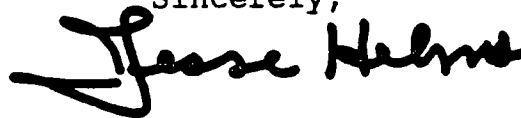
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Sincerely,

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Attachment I

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- 4) All documents referring or relating to sources of political, financial, military, and other support received by Maurice Bishop and the New Jewel Movement in Grenada, and U.S. policy or proposed U.S. policy toward Maurice Bishop and the New Jewel Movement in Grenada both prior to their ouster of Prime Minister Eric Gairy in 1979, and subsequent to that ouster.
- 5) All documents referring or relating to involvement of Robert Pastor or the Carter Center in the 1990 election in Nicaragua and the subsequent transition of power from Daniel Ortega to Violeta Chamorro.

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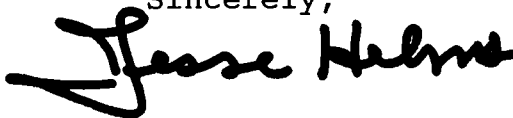
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