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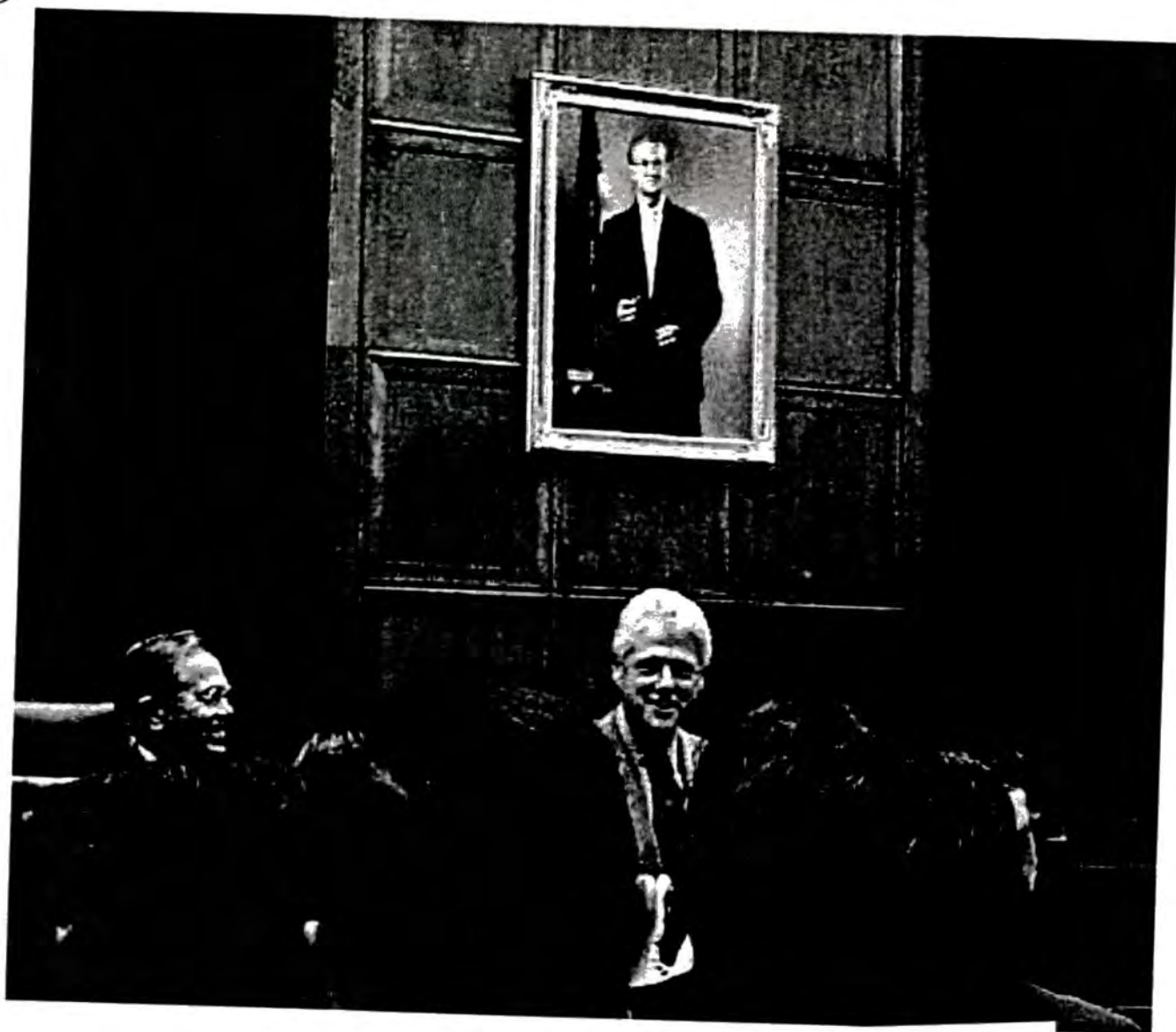
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October 31, 2000

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The Honorable William Clinton
President
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20005

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We would like to inquire as to your interest and availability in receiving this Medal on this special night. You would honor us with your presence and your acceptance. Dianne Wisner is Chairman of this event. Your office can contact her with questions or comments at 404 352 5895. If you would care to speak to Andy, he will make himself available at any time.

Your work and your devotion to duty, to your country and to people around the globe is an inspiration. We hope you will allow us to say thank you.

Faith & Love,

Carolyn

Carolyn Young
Honorary Chairman
Andrew Young Birthday Celebration 2001

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A BENEFIT FOR THE ANDREW YOUNG SCHOOL OF POLICY STUDIES

Andrew Young

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Andrew Young School, Albany State launch water policy center

ALBANY — An enduring drought has shriveled Georgia's lakes and rivers — and the supply of policy experts who might find solutions to the state's water woes has dried up too.

To improve the situation, the Andrew Young School and Albany State University recently inaugurated a new planning and policy research center designed to address water allocation issues and educate students on ways to identify fair policy solutions. Ron Cummings, director of the Andrew Young School's Environmental Policy Program



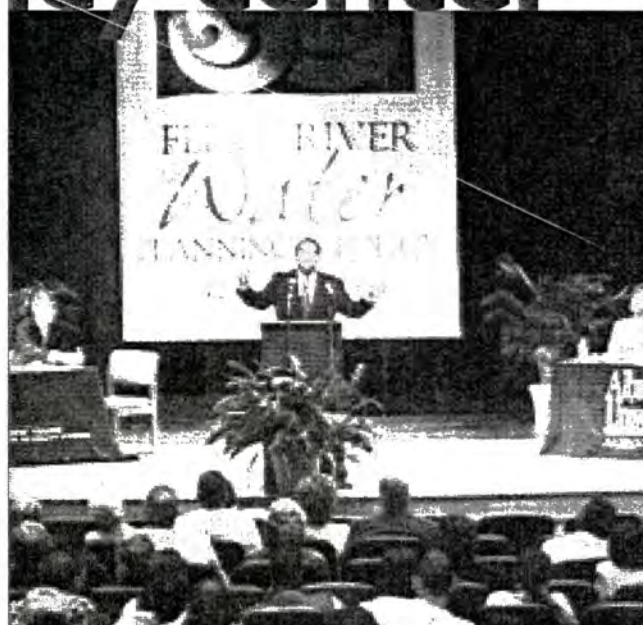
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and Georgia's only eminent scholar in water policy, represented the school in leading the initiative.

The joint venture, dubbed the Flint River Regional Water Planning and Policy Center, was championed this year by Lt. Gov. Mark Taylor (D-Albany) and other members of the Georgia General Assembly to tackle water shortage problems affecting the state's consumers and businesspeople. The policy center will give local stakeholders, particularly south Georgia farmers, a vehicle to discuss water allocation issues with water negotiators and legislative leaders, said Jerry Usry, who will serve as the water policy center's director.

The Andrew Young School will contribute the expertise of its internationally recognized research faculty to the water policy center. Albany State will provide the venue and offer a graduate teaching concentration in water resources management and policy. Faculty members from the Andrew Young School will teach many of the courses.

"I see this center as the first step in positioning Georgia at the forefront of developing water policy



OPENING DAY: The Hon. Andrew Young addresses the audience at the opening of the Flint River Water Planning and Policy Center June 28 at Albany State University. The center's goal is to find ways to deal with water scarcity in Georgia.

researchers and professionals, who are highly sought after in a world increasingly challenged by water scarcity," said the Hon. Andrew Young, who gave the keynote speech at the center's June 28 opening ceremony at Albany State.

The establishment of the center marks the culmination of years of effort by agricultural, conservation, industry and municipal groups, along with the University System of Georgia, to work with the legislature to provide a vehicle for responsible research, teaching and leadership in the water planning and policy process in the lower Flint River basin, Taylor said.

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Significant Events in Andrew Young's life And the civil rights movement:

March 1932 - Born to Andrew Young, a dentist and Daisy Fuller Young, a former schoolteacher, in New Orleans.

May 1951 - Graduates from Howard University

September 1951 - Begins the study of ministry at Hartford Theological Seminary

June 1952 - Sets up a summer Bible school and recreation program at a small church in Marion, Alabama.

Summer 1952 - Meets his wife Jean Childs for the first time.

May 17, 1954 - the Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. Board of Education* overrules *Plessy v. Ferguson* and the doctrine of separate but equal"

June 7, 1954 - Marries Jean Childs and returns to Hartford.

January 1955 - Graduates from the Hartford Theological Seminary and returns to Thomasville in the black belt of southwestern Georgia as a pastor in two small Congregational churches.

August 1955 - Daughter Andrea Young born in Thomasville

December 1955 - The Montgomery, Alabama bus boycott--sparked by Rosa Parks, an NAACP activist who refused to give up her seat to a white man.

1956 - Andrew Young spearheads voter registration drive in Thomasville.

February 1957- King founds Southern Christian Leadership Council after his tremendous success in the Montgomery bus boycott.

May 1957 - The civil rights leadership holds a Prayer Pilgrimage in Washington -- then the largest civil rights demonstration in American history.

July 19, 1957 - Daughter Lisa Young born in Thomasville

July 1957- Young family moves to New York City to work as National Council of Churches associate director in their Youth Department.

Fall 1957 - Young goes to Little Rock to meet with the Little Rock Council of Churches shortly after President Eisenhower sent in troops to enforce the Supreme Court's school desegregation decree.

January 1960 - Ella Baker an NAACP organizer left SCLC to found the Student Non-Violent Coordinating

Committee

January 1961 - NBC airs an hour-long program-- "The Nashville Sit-in Story," about 4 students from AT&T College in Greensboro who sat at a Woolworth's lunch counter where blacks were not being served. The sit-in movement spread like wildfire and by February black students had staged sit-ins across the South.

June 6, 1961 - Daughter Paula Young born in New York City

August 1961 - Young moves to Atlanta to work with King and join the senior staff of SCLC.

Winter 1961 - Albany becomes the major focus of SNCC after a group of students take a bus from Atlanta to Albany and what became known as the Albany Movement began, a spin-off from the Freedom Riders, a small interracial group led by the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE).

May 1963 - Desegregation agreement reached in Birmingham, Young is key negotiator.

June 1963 - President Kennedy sends Civil Rights bill to Congress. Medgar Evers, NAACP Field Secretary, assassinated in Mississippi.

August 28, 1963 - King delivers "I have a dream," speech in Washington during March

November 22, 1963 - President Kennedy is assassinated in Dallas.

July 2, 1964 Civil Rights Act of 1964 signed by President Lyndon Johnson.

August 1964 - Young and King support efforts of grassroots leader Fannie Lou Hamer and Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party. Bodies of Goodman, Schwerner and Chaney found in Philadelphia Mississippi

Spring 1965 - Young involved in Selma to Montgomery March and dramatization of the need for a Voting Rights Act.

April 4, 1968 - Martin Luther King, Jr. is assassinated on the balcony of a hotel in **Memphis**.

June 5' 1968 - Robert Kennedy is assassinated in Los Angeles during the Democratic Convention.

June 19, 1968 - the Poor People's Campaign culminated in the Solidarity Day Rally for Jobs. Peace and Freedom More than fifty thousand people gathered in front of the Lincoln Memorial.

1968-1970 - Young continues to work with the ailing SCLC.

1970 - Young wins the Democratic nomination for Georgia's 5th Congressional District but is defeated in the general election. He is appointed Chairman of Atlanta's Community Relations Commission.

1972 - Young is elected to Congress representing the Fifth Congressional District of Georgia and serves three terms.

February 15, 1973 - Andrew "Bo" Young III is born.

1977 - After campaigning for former Georgia Governor Jimmy Carter in his Presidential Bid. Young is appointed to serve as United States Ambassador to the United Nations. Under his leadership the U.S. takes an active role in negotiations for the independence of Namibia and Zimbabwe.

1979 - Young resigns as UN Ambassador.

1981 - Is first elected Mayor of Atlanta.

1985 - Reelected as mayor and under his administration over a million jobs were created and the Metropolitan region attracted more than \$70 billion dollars in investments and construction.

1990 - Young mounts unsuccessful bid for Governor of Georgia. With Young as co-chair of the Atlanta Organizing Committee, Atlanta is awarded the Centennial Olympic Games.

September 1994 - Jean Childs Young, his wife of 40 years, dies of cancer.

1995 - President Clinton appoints Young Chairman of the new Southern African Enterprise Development Fund (SAEDF). This \$100 million fund will help establish small and medium size businesses throughout Southern Africa.

March, 1996 - Marriage to Carolyn M. Watson blessed at the United States Embassy in Johannesburg, South Africa

1996 - Co-Chairman, The Centennial Olympic Games held in Atlanta.

January 1997 - Andrew Young and partners start GoodWorks International, LLC

1998 - Appointed to National Security Study Group by U.S. Secretary of State

2000 - President, National Council of Churches

October 31, 2000

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Office of the President
The White House
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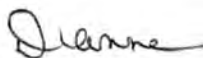
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Regards,



Dianne Wisner

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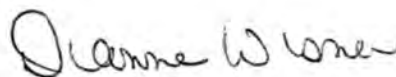
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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 30, 2000

Dear Mr. President,

John Ibekwe, the President of the Nigerian Network of People Living with AIDS who spoke at the AIDS event in Nigeria and his wife sent this to me so I would make sure you actually got it. I thought you would like to see it.

I am considering asking him to join us at the World AIDS Day religious leaders summit at the White House with Archbishop Tutu. Don't you think his story is worth telling again?

Thanks,


Sandy



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to

President Bill Clinton

Kindness in words
creates confidence
Kindness in thinking
creates profoundness
Kindness in feeling
creates love

*Thank you for the wonderful things
you have done for me
I feel too flattered to be so remembered
in a wonderful way
Hence it means a lot sending this
little Card
What a Kindness!... You have shown
Accept my Appreciation*

From

Mr. & Mrs. John Angelo

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October 13, 2000

The President
United States of America
White House
Washington, D. C.
USA

Handwritten note:
All items asked
for by POTUS
taken care of by
Chief Office Staff

Your Excellency,

Good day. I write to acknowledge the receipt and express my appreciation for the wonderful life time gift you sent to me.

My husband and I were very excited and honoured to have received such a memorable gift from the President of the United States of America on September 29, 2000. It was a great day when my husband presented it to the members of National Action Committee on AIDS (NACA) during their meeting on October 4, 2000 at Abuja.

We wish you peace, good health and long life as you retire from active politics as well as hoping you continue to touch many homes and hearts in Africa with your good works in the area of health.

God bless you!

I remain

Yours sincerely



Angela J. Ibekwe
Wife of John Ibekwe
President, Nigerian Network of People Living with HIV/AIDS



Smithsonian Institution

Office of Senior Scholar Emeritus

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October 19, 2000

Ms. Janet Howard de Coca Cola

cc: David Van Cleve
Miller Crouch

My dear Janet,

CC: Lisei Loy

Many thanks for letting us know not to for expect the presidential greeting the like of which we received in 1993 under the same auspices, Les Amis Francais de la Smithsonian and the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation of Monticello.

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cc: Delia Cohen
cc: Eileen
McCaughy

Such literalism of that policy deprives the United States of an opportunity to enrich our relationship with our oldest ally, and thus is counter-productive. I hope that the new administration will be more mindful of our self-interests. In any case, I am pleased that our ambassador will be blessing the event as did Ambassador Pamela in 1993. The USIA Paris office has been quite active in helping to arrange the symposium, an all-day event without a dinner, in a setting more august than the Elysee Palace, under the haut patronage of the former prime minister, Pierre Messmer, now chancellor of the five French academies.

arch!

We were much more fortunate in Stockholm in 1997 in receiving a message from President Clinton during our tribute there for Raoul Wallenberg.

In any case, I deeply appreciate what you are doing personally, and through the corporation, to strengthen our ties to cultures all around the world.

Can you
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I look forward to seeing you at 6 p.m., Tuesday, November 14 at the Hirshhorn and later at the castle for the McGovern award ceremony.

Warm best wishes,

Wilton

Wilton S. Dillon

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MESSAGE DU PRÉSIDENT CLINTON

Lu par Mme Pamela Harriman
Ambassadeur des Etats-Unis d'Amérique

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 1, 1993

It is a pleasure to extend greetings to everyone gathered in Paris for this symposium in conjunction with the Smithsonian Institution.

Thomas Jefferson has always been my favorite President. Our nation probably derives its shape more from his influence than from that of any other human being who ever lived. His understanding of freedom and democracy continues to guide us as lovers of liberty.

Of course, his brilliance was not limited to the world of politics. As an inventor, a musician, a farmer, and a scientist, he consistently distinguished himself as an innovative pioneer, always seeking ways to improve daily life and enrich the human spirit.

It is important for us, the inheritors of Jefferson's rich legacy, to recommit ourselves to his noble ideas of faith in a democracy of enlightened people. We have made much progress in realizing his dream of a peaceful, prosperous society based on equality. But there is much work yet to be done to encourage economic and social justice and to guarantee respect for human rights and dignity around the globe. Today, I think he would agree that this is a time for change.

As you study Jefferson's great influence on our nation and our world, I encourage you to reflect on the ways that we can draw inspiration from his insights in order to create a brighter future for our posterity.

Bill Clinton

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To: Ms. Nancy Hernreich

Fax: 456-6703

From: Janet Howard

Date October 20, 2000

Re: French Friends of Smithsonian

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if it's necessary*

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Newton, Massachusetts 02458
Tel 617-630-8081
Fax 617-630-8788

*cc: Sandy
Berger
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know the
Pres?
Sharon
Gee*

October 22, 2000

Mr. President -

This letter was sent today to Prime Minister Barak signed by Jack Bendheim, Zev Furst, Marvin Lender and me. We wrote this letter as a result of our conversation in Boston on Friday evening.

We continue to support your efforts to bring the parties together and to prevent continued violence. Let us know how else we can exercise this support.

We also continue to be available to meet with you at your convenience.

I am reachable today at home at ~~(781) 235-2143~~.
(781) 235-2143.

I hope you got some rest this weekend.

Alan.

11-2-00

Send to Cohen?

Yes ☒ _____

No _____

Card

Coordinate w/NSC

Yes ☒ _____

No _____

card

October 22, 2000

Dear Mr. Prime Minister:

At this delicate and decisive hour, we write you to express both our support and our concern.

As Israel has been confronted by violence and hatred, we have stood beside you and rallied our friends and supporters behind your policies. We continue to believe that you provide the best chance Israel has for peace and security at this time.

We have also had conversations with people at the highest levels of our government. We are confident of their continuing support for Israel. Your efforts to position Israel in a positive light have borne fruit and, at least for now, we believe our government stands solidly behind you.

At the same time, we are worried about what might happen if the diplomatic process were to be stifled in any significant way during the coming crucial 2-3 days.

It is our firm belief that the United States will not have another leader like President Clinton, who has displayed a deep and profound love for Israel and has repeatedly demonstrated a propensity as a skilled advocate of peace. We are acutely aware that he has only 2-3 months to help broker a deal of some sort that can restore stability in the region. In that context, every day is precious.

We have also heard great concern expressed, if the President is not able to intercede, about the possibility of violence spinning out of control in the region and the consequent harm done to national security interests.

In the first weeks of violence, the American public was responsive to Israel's case, and to yours in particular. The feeling was that Israel could not be blamed for the breakdown of negotiations into violence, largely because of the goodwill built up after Camp David and the Millennium meetings.

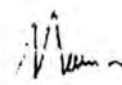
We fear, however, that the situation would be very different if Israel were seen to be unilaterally breaking off the chance to revive discussions. The perception here is that at the Arab Emergency Summit, the Arabs, under President Mubarak's leadership, restrained their reaction to warnings and overheated rhetoric and called for continued adherence to the peace.

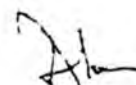
Furthermore, Sharon is a highly unpopular figure here, even more than Netanyahu. He has already caused serious damage to Israel's image and support base, not only in Europe but in the United States. He is also perceived as insensitive to American interests.

We know and appreciate that you are dealing with an extremely difficult situation. We offer these words of support and concern, as your friends, because we think they are of vital relevance during the coming decisive 2-3 days.


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The Honorable William J. Clinton
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Dear Mr. President:

By Saturday evening, you must decide whether to sign or veto the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001. I am writing to encourage you to sign this bill. Although I thoroughly understand and appreciate the concerns of those who are advising you to veto the bill, I believe that the national security of this country is best served by enacting this legislation.

The Intelligence Authorization Act authorizes the funding for vital intelligence operations to counter terrorist activities, to protect the thousands of military personnel deployed around the world, and to warn you of impending crises. I am concerned that critical intelligence community components, such as the National Security Agency, will be unable to modernize their systems to meet new and expanding challenges without enactment of the legislation before you.

Mr. President, there is an implication in the media that there may be circumstances where it is alright to aid and abet illegalities involving willful disclosure of properly classified information to unauthorized persons. Based on hearings in the Senate and House oversight committees, there is ample testimony to serious damage done to our national security – especially to sources and methods – from such leaks. We are talking here about extra, unnecessary risks and vulnerabilities to Americans at home and abroad. The issue really is, do we have the correct language to distinguish between serious, willful leaks that damage national security or expose sources and methods, and leaks that may involve some elements of classified matter that are de minimus and unharmed. I thought the Senate and your Administration had agreed they had found such language – certainly the published Statement of Administration Policy supported this. That was what was presented to the Committee at the Conference.

The fact remains that when federal employees or former federal employees get access to classified information, it is a privilege that carries with it the responsibility to handle properly this information so as not to negatively affect national security. Today, I fear that the “waterfall” of unauthorized disclosures seriously damages U.S. national security, and the lives and safety of Americans at home and abroad.

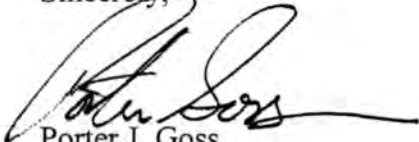
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I have said openly in the media that this provision could be better written, and have committed to reexamine it in the 107th Congress. This is an important issue, but so too is the issue of unauthorized disclosures. During my tenure as Chairman of the Intelligence Committee, I have witnessed several cases where leaks severely disrupted often-fragile intelligence sources and methods. And, I have seen cases where leaks cost lives. Therefore, I want to emphasize a veto of the whole bill is not warranted.

Finally, Mr. President, the argument that the "leaks" provision will silence whistleblowers is absolutely false. As you know, last year we enacted "whistleblower" provisions establishing a "safe harbor" mechanism that provides an individual recourse to make sure that any wrongdoing is brought into the light of day. This system works well, and will continue to do so with the enactment of the Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2001.

Mr. President, the issue comes down to an evaluation of the importance of intelligence and national security. I do not need to tell you how dangerous and unstable many areas of the world are today, and that American interests are constantly being threatened. We must have the ability to understand what is happening in the world, and that capability is intelligence. Your veto message could have a negative impact on such capability and would certainly be interpreted as an invitation to mischief by those who would harm America and Americans.

Sincerely,



Porter J. Goss
Chairman