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David Schippers Schippers & Bailey 20 N. Clark Street Room 3600 Chicago, IL 60602

Via facsimile: (312) 419-6688

Dear Mr. Schippers:

I am writing to confirm that you and your client, FBI Agent Robert Wright, are cooperating with my staff and I in our oversight of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

As ranking member of the Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs of the Judiciary Committee, I conduct continual oversight of the FBI and its activities. Specifically, I look forward to the assistance of Mr. Wright and yourself as I investigate the FBI's counter-terrorism performance both before and after September 11, 2001.

Federal law provides individuals who are assisting a Congressional investigation protection from retaliation. In addition, Federal law states:

Whoever corruptly, or by threats or force or by any threatening letter or communication influences, obstructs, or impedes or endeavors to influence, obstruct, or impede the due and proper administration of the law under which any pending proceeding is being had before any department or agency of the United States, or the due and proper exercise of the power or inquiry under which any inquiry or investigation is being had by either House, or any committee of either House or any joint committee of the Congress – Shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.

See 18 USCS 1505 (partial cite).

I request that you or Mr. Wright immediately contact my staff and I if either of you have concerns regarding retaliation. Your point of contact will be John Drake of my staff, who can be reached at (202) 224-5315.

Cordially yours,

Charles E. Grassley Ranking Member

Subcommittee on Crime and Drugs