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Dear Mr. Aftergood:

This is a final response to your 2 June 2009 request to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) wherein you requested "a copy of a written reply from DNI Blair to a letter dated March 23, 2009 from the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence."

Your request was processed in accordance with the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552, as amended. ODNI located the document you requested. Upon review, it has been determined that the document may be released without redactions. It is enclosed for your use.

Should you have any questions regarding this request, please call the Requester Service Center at (703) 275-2210.

Sincerely,

John F. Hackett

Director, Information Management Office

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The Honorable Dianne Feinstein Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Christopher S. Bond Vice Chairman Select Committee on Intelligence United States Senate Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Madam Chairman and Vice Chairman Bond:

Thank you for your March 23, 2009 letter expressing your interest in the adequacy of the Director of National Intelligence and Intelligence Community authorities over cybersecurity.

This is a very important issue and it has been the subject of recent review and study by the 60 day cyber review directed by the President. A judgment regarding the adequacy of DNI authorities and any changes, additions, or clarifications will necessarily depend on the Administration's strategic plan on cyber, and where the center of gravity will be within the Executive branch. I will engage with you as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Dennis C. Blair

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