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November 3, 2003

The Honorable George Tenet Director, Central Intelligence Agency Central Intelligence Agency Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Tenet:

We are writing you for the second time requesting information about the ongoing investigation of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction (WMD). As we informed you in our first letter, we request a briefing from Mr. David Kay, who is leading the Iraq Survey Group in search of WMD. Although Mr. Kay briefed several other committees, we were told he did not have the time to brief Members of the Committee on Government Reform.

We then asked for a copy of the classified report produced by Mr. Kay. We were informed, "a limited number of committees were authorized to receive that report, and on the House side it would have been House Armed Services Committee and House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, and other Members interested in reading the report would need to approach those committees to read the report."

We do not understand why you are refusing to provide Mr. Kay's report. Security clearances are clearly not an issue since your agency has on file all of the appropriate clearances for our staff. Evidently, there is also no

question of revealing sources and methods, which are traditionally limited to the House Intelligence Committee, because you chose to provide the report to the House Armed Services Committee as well. Additionally, this request falls within the parameters of Rule X, clause 1 (h)(6), clause 4 (c)(2), and clause 11(a)(3) Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives.

Please answer the following questions, in writing, or provide Mr. Kay's report no later than November 17, 2003:

- Who determined which committees were authorized to receive the report, and what is the basis for that decision?
- To what extent does Mr. Kay's report deal with sources and methods?

Again, our offices and selected staff have the requisite clearances to receive these documents. If you have any questions, please contact Dr. R. Nicholas Palarino at 202-225-2548, or Mr. David Rapallo at 202-225-5420.

Sincerely,

Christopher Shays

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