

**UNITED STATES FOREIGN
INTELLIGENCE SURVEILLANCE COURT**
Washington, D.C.

Honorable Colleen Kollar-Kotelly
Presiding Judge

January 17, 2007

Honorable Patrick Leahy
Chairman, United States Senate
Committee on the Judiciary
Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-6275

Honorable Arlen Specter
Ranking Member, United States Senate
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Dear Chairman Leahy and Ranking Member Specter:

I am writing in response to your request that I provide the Committee on the Judiciary with "copies of the orders and opinions" issued in the matter referenced in Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales' letter to you, dated January 17, 2007. As the presiding judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court (FISC), I have no objection to this material being made available to the Committee. However, the Court's practice is to refer any requests for classified information to the Department of Justice. In this instance, the documents that are responsive to your request contain classified information and, therefore, I would ask you to discuss the matter with the Attorney General or his representatives. If the Executive and Legislative Branches reach agreement for access to this material, the Court will, of course, cooperate with the agreement.

Sincerely,



Colleen Kollar-Kotelly
Presiding Judge