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MEMORANDUM TO THE STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

FROM: Larry D. Thompson  
Deputy Attorney General

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SUBJECT: FBI Management Review

As you know, on June 20, 2001, the Attorney General requested that the Strategic Management Council of the Justice Department (SMC) undertake a comprehensive review of the FBI and make recommendations for reform. To assist us in that review, the Attorney General has further requested that we commission a private firm to conduct a management study of the Bureau's policies and practices in such areas as information technology, personnel, crisis management, and performance appraisal. He has also asked us to solicit constructive input on the same subjects from other individuals and organizations, including Congress.

It is, of course, imperative that we launch this process as early as possible. My office will be contacting each of you shortly to schedule our first meeting on this important effort. In the interim, we have begun clarifying the scope of the project and identifying potential private firms to assist us in the endeavor. This process has included close coordination with the Department's Justice Management Division (JMD) to ensure that we comply with all necessary procurement requirements while moving forward as expeditiously and efficiently as possible. We have also begun identifying individuals and organizations from whom we should solicit input and will welcome suggestions from each of you in that regard. I look forward to discussing both of these issues with you at our initial meeting concerning the review.

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