

Department of Justice
EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT
CONTROL SHEET

DATE OF DOCUMENT: 06/02/2006
DATE RECEIVED: 06/05/2006

WORKFLOW ID: 1013005
DUE DATE: 06/27/2006

FROM: The Honorable Arlen Specter
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate

Washington, DC 20510-0001

TO: AG

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Hearings

SUBJECT: Ltr (fax rec'd from OLA) from the Chmn, Judiciary Comte, announcing a hearing on oversight of DOJ on 6/13/2006, at 9:30 a.m. that is expected to last the entire day. The AG is invited to testify for the duration of the hearing. The hearing will focus on OLC's policy decisions, DOJ's decision to deny OPR access to classified materials including NSA surveillance programs, OIPR's role in the FISA approval process and the FBI's search of the office of MC William J. Jefferson on 5/20/2006, in relation to an alleged bribery case. See WF 1002009 and related corrs in ES.

DATE ASSIGNED
06/06/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
For appropriate handling. Advise ES of any action taken.
Office of Legislative Affairs

INFO COMPONENT: AG, OAG (Beach), ODAG, OPR, OLC, OIPR, FBI, CRM, CIV, PAO

COMMENTS: Please advise the AG ASAP as to the course of action to be taken.

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Debbie Alexander: 202-616-0075

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 05/10/2006

WORKFLOW ID: 1002009

DATE RECEIVED: 05/11/2006

DUE DATE: 05/26/2006

FROM: The Honorable Arlen Specter
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate

Washington, DC 20510-0001

TO: AG

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Oversight

SUBJECT: Ltr (fax rec'd from OAG) from the Chmn, Judiciary Comte, urging the AG to authorize OPR the necessary clearances to allow it to reopen its investigation into the legal and ethical propriety of the rolls DOJ lawyers may have played in approving, authorizing, and auditing the so-called NSA terrorist surveillance program. The Chmn requests to be kept apprised of the status of this issue, including any changes in DOJ's position. Also requests info relating to OPR's decision. See WFs 1002011, 1002024 & related corres in ES on (NSA).

DATE ASSIGNED

05/12/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED

Office of Legal Counsel

Prepare response for AAG/OLA signature.

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, CIV, FBI, CRM, OIPR, OPR, OLA

COMMENTS:

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Debbie Alexander: 202-616-0075

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 05/11/2006
DATE RECEIVED: 05/11/2006

WORKFLOW ID: 1002011
DUE DATE: 05/26/2006

FROM: The Honorable Maurice D. Hinchey
U.S. House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

TO: OPR

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Priority

SUBJECT: (Fax rec'd from OPR) Thanking OPR for responding to their ltrs requesting an investigation of DOJ's involvement with the Bush Administration's warrantless domestic surveillance program. The MCs express concern that OPR was denied security clearances for access to information about the NSA program. They request answers to questions to help them better understand why the investigation that they requested was terminated. Ltr also signed by MCs Heny Waxman, John Lewis and Lynn Woolsey. See WFs 1002024, 1002009, 962168 & related corres in ES on (NSA).

DATE ASSIGNED
05/12/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
Office of Legal Counsel
Prepare response for AAG/OLA signature.

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, OLA, CIV, CRM, FBI, OIPR, OPR

COMMENTS:

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Shirley McKay: 202-514-5305

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 05/11/2006

WORKFLOW ID: 1002024

DATE RECEIVED: 05/12/2006

DUE DATE: 05/26/2006

FROM: The Honorable Patrick J. Leahy
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate

Washington, DC 20510-6275

TO: AG

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Oversight

SUBJECT: Ltr (fax) from the RMM, Judiciary Comte, urging the AG to authorize OPR the necessary clearances to allow it to reopen its investigation into the legal and ethical propriety of the lawyers in connection with the President's program of warrantless wiretapping. The RMM joins Chmn Specter's request for a full explanation of this matter. See WFs 1002011, 1002009 & related corres in ES.

DATE ASSIGNED
05/12/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
Office of Legal Counsel
Prepare response for AAG/OLA signature.

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, CIV, CRM, FBI, OLC, OIPR, OPR, OLA

COMMENTS:

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Debbie Alexander: 202-616-0075

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 05/12/2006
DATE RECEIVED: 06/05/2006

WORKFLOW ID: 1013088
DUE DATE:

FROM: The Honorable Jeff Bingaman
United States Senate

Washington, DC 20510-0001

TO: President George W. Bush

MAIL TYPE: White House Urgent Blue Cover

SUBJECT: (Copy rec'd from the White House for information only) Urging the President to take action to ensure that investigators within DOJ's OPR are provided security clearances to continue their investigation regarding the role of DOJ attorneys in the authorization of the NSA's warrantless surveillance program. See related corres in ES on (NSA). WH ID 695457

DATE ASSIGNED
06/06/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
For information.

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, OPR, OIPR, OLA FBI, CRM, CIV, OLC

COMMENTS:

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Debbie Alexander: 202-616-0075

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 01/24/2006
DATE RECEIVED: 01/26/2006

WORKFLOW ID: 943990
DUE DATE: 02/21/2006

FROM: The Honorable Arlen Specter
Chairman
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate

Washington, DC 20510-0001

TO: AG

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Hearings

SUBJECT: Undated ltr (fax rec'd from OAG) from the Chmn, Comte on the Judiciary, enclosing a list of some of the subjects he would like the AG to address in his opening statement before the Comte at the 2/6/2006, hearing on Wartime Executive Power and the NSA's Surveillance Authority. See WF 937098.

DATE ASSIGNED
01/27/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
For appropriate handling. Advise ES of any action taken.
Office of Legislative Affairs

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, OLC, CIV

COMMENTS:

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Paula Stephens: 202-616-0074

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 12/19/2005 WORKFLOW ID: 928152
DATE RECEIVED: 12/28/2005 DUE DATE: 01/23/2006

FROM: The Honorable Jerrold Nadler
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington DC 20515

TO: AG

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Priority

SUBJECT: Requesting that the AG appoint a special counsel to investigate the President's secret directive that authorizes domestic surveillance on U.S. citizens, without a warrant, by the National Security Agency (NSA). Advising that this unprecedented intelligence gathering policy is clearly prohibited by law. (See WFs 938104 & 937098)

DATE ASSIGNED ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
01/06/2006 Office of Legal Counsel
Prepare response for AAG/OLA signature.

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, OIPR, FBI, OLA, CIV

COMMENTS: 2/2/06: CIV added as info component & given eyes rights. 1/6/06: Per OAG (Sampson), reassigned from CRM to OLC.

FILE CODE:

EXECSEC POC: Yvonne Williams: 202-514-5849

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DATE OF DOCUMENT: 01/12/2006 WORKFLOW ID: 937098
DATE RECEIVED: 01/13/2006 DUE DATE:

FROM: The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
2138 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-6216

TO: AG (cc indicated for OLA Moschella)

MAIL TYPE: Congressional Hearings

SUBJECT: Ltr (fax rec'd from OLA) from RMM, Comte on the Judiciary, inviting the AG to appear as a witness at a congressional briefing to provide DOJ's opinion on the constitutional or statutory authority of the President to order surveillance, by the National Security Agency (NSA), within the United States absent judicial approval. Advising that the Comte has scheduled a hearing for 1/20/2006, at 10 a.m. See WFs 928172 & 938104.

DATE ASSIGNED
01/13/2006

ACTION COMPONENT & ACTION REQUESTED
For appropriate handling. Advise ES of any action taken.
Office of Legislative Affairs

INFO COMPONENT: OAG, ODAG, OLC, CIV

COMMENTS: 3/1/2006: Per OLA (Moschella), overtaken by events. 1/26/2006: Original corres rec'd in ES and forwarded to AG files.

FILE CODE: AG FILE: CONGRESSIONAL Hearings :CHMN

EXECSEC POC: Shirley McKay: 202-514-5305

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