## NOTICE BY THE UNITED STATES OF ATTORNEY GENERAL'S LETTER TO CONGRESS

By this notice, the United States publicly advises the Court and the parties that, as the Attorney General informed members of Congress today, a Judge of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court has issued orders authorizing the Government to target for collection international communications into or out of the United States where there is probable cause to believe that one of the communicants is a member or agent of al Qaeda or an associated terrorist organization, and that, as a result of these orders, any electronic surveillance that was occurring as part of the Terrorist Surveillance Program (TSP) will now be conducted subject to the approval of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court. In light of these circumstances, the President has determined not to reauthorize the TSP when the current authorization expires.

A copy of the Attorney General's letter to Senators Leahy and Specter, dated today, is attached.

The classified materials lodged with the Court on January 11, 2007 (as reflected in the notice of lodging filed on January 13, 2007), concern the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court orders that were publicly announced today. The contents of that *ex parte*, *in camera* submission remain

classified.

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