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Patrick F. Kennedy Under Secretary for Management U.S. Department of State 2201 C Street NW Washington, DC 20520

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

On June 24, 2011, I sent you a letter requesting specific documents from the file of the Justice Sector Support Program (JSSP) contract in Afghanistan, including the solicitation, the final contract, and performance evaluations. I requested that the State Department provide these documents to Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight staff by July 15, 2011.

At the request of the State Department, the Subcommittee agreed to extend the deadline for production of the documents to August 31, 2011. On July 27, 2011 and August 2, 2011, Subcommittee staff contacted State Department staff to schedule a briefing on the status of State Department's response to the document request. Today, more than two months after the original deadline, the Department has provided no documents and has failed to respond to the Subcommittee's attempts to schedule the requested briefing.

In order to ensure the timely receipt of the information requested by the Subcommittee, I request that this briefing take place as soon as possible, but in no case later than **Friday**, **September 30, 2011**. I also request that you direct State Department staff to work with Subcommittee staff to establish a timeline for the production of documents.

I appreciate your prompt attention to this matter. Please contact Sarah Garcia with the Subcommittee staff at (202) 224-1014 with any questions. Please send any official correspondence related to this request to Kelsey_Stroud@hsgac.senate.gov.

Sincerely,

Senator Claire McCaskill

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