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The Honorable William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence Washington, DC 20505

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Dear Mr. Casey:

SUBJECT: Purported Conflict of Interest of Gray and Company.

It has come to our attention that Admiral Daniel Murphy, USN (Ret), of Gray and Company, a former Deputy Director at the Central Intelligence Agency, is now officially representing the illegal Communist government of Angola. We have also heard that Gray and Company is involved in discussions to officially represent the Soviet Union in Washington. Additionally, it is reported that Admiral Murphy still holds a top secret clearance.

If these facts are true, there may be numerous problems raised by an individual of Admiral Murphy's stature having a top secret clearance while directing lobbying efforts for communist Angola. Not the least of these problems are the implications it has for our national security. Moreover, Admiral Murphy and Gray and Company may have both a legal and ethical conflict of interest.

Inasmuch as the communist government Admiral Murphy represents currently engages in active hostilities with our government it appears that there is some urgency to this issue. Perhaps Admiral Murphy's top secret clearance should be revoked or put on hold until a thorough and prudent investigation can be made of this matter.

If you have a legal interest that might be affected by this, would you please advise us.

With every best wish,

Neal B. Blair

President

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