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Office of the Assistant Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

This responds to your letter to the Attorney General, dated October 1, 2006, which requested that the Department of Justice initiate an investigation into the conduct of former Representative Mark Foley of the 16th District of Florida.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is conducting a preliminary investigation into this matter and will work closely with the Department's prosecutors to determine whether any violations of federal law have occurred.

Thank you for your interest and cooperation in this important matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James H. Clinger".

James H. Clinger
Acting Assistant Attorney General