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Consistent with the desire of the House for more transparency in these matters, the OCE released today a report of its activities for the first quarter, April to June, of 2009. The report is available upon request and will be posted on the OCE's website http://oce.house.gov.