Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

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President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

We write to you today to urge, in the strongest possible terms, that the 28 redacted pages of the Congressional Joint Inquiry Into Intelligence Activities Before and After the Terrorist Attacks of September 2001 be released to the American public before you depart to visit the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia next week. As you know, a recent CBS 60 Minutes segment on the issue has again placed the issue in the national spotlight.

Many members of both the Joint Inquiry and the 9/11 Commission publicly support declassifying the 28 pages, along with a large bipartisan coalition of Members of Congress. More importantly, 9/11 families continue to be some of the biggest supporters of the effort. It has been nearly 15 years since the tragic attacks of 9/11, and the pain of those attacks is as evident today as ever.

Having read the 28 pages ourselves, we do not believe that their release will harm national security. Declassifying the 28 pages will help to provide closure to these families and the broader American public. We appreciate your consideration of this important matter and look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

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