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The Honorable Alberto Gonzales  
Attorney General  
U.S. Department of Justice  
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
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The Honorable Robert S. Mueller  
Director  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
935 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.  
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Dear Attorney General Gonzales and Director Mueller:

Recent press reports indicate that the FBI has engaged in a pattern of misuse of National Security Letters. This concerns me greatly. What is especially troubling is that this is not a one-time mistake. The FBI continues to violate the law.

I just learned that for the past four months the Justice Department has been looking into problems at the FBI's office in Milwaukee. I would like to know what types of abuses were found at the FBI's field office in Milwaukee.

This pattern of abuse must not continue. If it does, this Congress will act to curtail the FBI's investigative authority in this area. Given the increased risk Homeland Security Secretary Michael Chertoff believes that we face this summer, it is imperative that the FBI follow the law so as not to jeopardize our national security.

I look forward to learning about the abuses discovered at the FBI's Milwaukee Field Office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr.", written in a cursive style.

F. JAMES SENSENBRENNER, JR.  
Member of Congress

cc: U.S. Attorney Steven M. Biskupic, Eastern District of Wisconsin