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Richard L. Thornburgh
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Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Thornburgh:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of March 17, 1976 wherein you request that the Commission authorize staff members participating in investigations concerning improper payments to foreign and domestic government officials, to discuss these matters with attorneys from the Justice Department and agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Your request will be considered by the Commission as expeditiously as possible. I will be pleased to inform you of the Commission's determination in this matter.

If during the interim this agency can be of any further assistance, please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

Philip A. Loomis, Jr.
Commissioner

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