



Office of the Attorney General  
Washington, D. C. 20530

May 31, 2006

The Honorable Tom Davis  
Chairman  
Committee on Government Reform  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

In accordance with the Inspector General Act Amendments of 1988, P.L. 100-504, I am forwarding to you two reports for the period October 1, 2005, through March 31, 2006 -- the Inspector General's Semiannual Report to Congress and the Attorney General's Semiannual Management Report to Congress. These reports describe actions that the Department of Justice has taken to address certain recommendations made by the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) to improve our operations. In addition, the Management Report includes statistical reports that set forth the financial and numerical analyses for this audit period.

As we have worked to fight terrorism and other crime, we have pursued critical management goals to improve the Department's efficiency and effectiveness in fulfilling all of our mission requirements. During the last reporting period, the Department regained its agency-wide unqualified financial audit status. Now, the Department is focusing its attention on fulfilling the financial management improvement goals of the President's Management Agenda.

We have achieved many successes, but we can do even more. I have set a number of priorities that I believe will help us build a stronger Department of Justice and a safer America. We will continue to evaluate and enhance our capabilities to better accomplish our mission, often with the help of the OIG. The Department will continue to work closely with the OIG to improve our operations and to better defend the safety and security of our Nation and our citizens.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "A. Gonzales".

Alberto R. Gonzales  
Attorney General

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