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Mr. Craig Masback Chief Executive Officer USA Track & Field One RCA Dome, Suite 140 Indianapolis, IN 46225-1023

Dear Mr. Masback:

On March 17, 2005, the Committee on Government Reform held a hearing on Major League Baseball and its current drug testing policy. As the Committee has stated publicly numerous times, its focus on the issue of performance-enhancing drug use in sports is not limited to professional baseball. The hearing was the first in a series for the Committee as part of its ongoing investigation into steroid policies for professional and amateur sports.

As part of this investigation, we are requesting basic information on steroid policies and steroid testing from a number of sports leagues. As such, we ask that USA Track & Field (USATF) provide the Committee with the following information:

- 1. A complete copy of the current drug testing policy, as well as each drug testing policy that has been in place since USATF began testing for performance-enhancing drugs. The documents provided should include, but not be limited to:
 - a. details of the testing protocol;
 - b. how the testing is conducted;
 - c. the notice provided to athletes prior to testing;
 - d. how random testing is conducted;
 - e. protocol for offseason;
 - f. protocol for athletes residing outside of the United States during the offseason, if applicable; and
 - g. the protocol for disclosing the identity of athletes who test positive.
- 2. For each drug policy provided under #1, provide the specifics as to how the policies were formulated and negotiated between USATF and other entities.
- 3. Annual summary information on all performance-enhancing drug test results since USATF began testing for such drugs. The Committee is requesting summary information, and does not require identification of individual athletes. This request includes, but is not limited to:

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- a. the number of tests conducted each year;
- b. the number of athletes tested each year;
- c. the specific substances tested;
- d. the number of positive test results;
- e. the number of positive tests for each specific drug.

We request that USATF hand deliver two copies of this information by 6:00 p.m. on April 12, 2005. One copy is to be delivered to the majority staff at room 2157 in the Rayburn House Office Building and one copy is to be delivered to the minority staff at room B-350A in the Rayburn House Office Building. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Anne Marie Turner, Counsel for Majority, at (202) 225-5074, and Brian Cohen, Professional Staff for Minority at (202) 225-5051.

Sincerely,

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