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The President of the Senate
The Speaker of the House

Re: FY 2004 Buy American Act

Dear Sirs:

This responds to the requirement in section 645 of Public Law 108-199, the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2004, for the Buy American Act, that requires each Federal agency to submit to Congress for FY 2004 "a report on the acquisitions that were made of articles, materials, or supplies by the agency in that fiscal year from entities that manufacture the articles, materials, or supplies outside the United States."

On behalf of Special Counsel Scott Bloch, I provide the following response for the U.S. Office of Special Counsel for our FY 2004 report:

1. The dollar value of any articles, material, or supplies that were manufactured outside the U.S.

OSC Response: The Office of Special Counsel made no purchases of any articles, materials, or supplies that were manufactured outside of the United States within the meaning of the Buy American Act.

2. An itemized list of all waivers granted with respect to such articles, materials, or supplies under this Act.

OSC Response: As a result of OSC's negative response to Question #1, waivers were neither necessary nor granted to OSC during FY 2004.

3. A summary of total procurement funds expended on articles, materials, and supplies manufactured inside and outside the U.S.

OSC Response: The Office of Special Counsel spent \$621,578 on goods manufactured in the United States. As stated in Question #1, the agency spent no funds on goods manufactured outside of the United States during FY 2004.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Roderick Anderson".

Roderick Anderson
Chief Financial Officer