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July 11, 2007

Honorable John Conyers, Jr.  
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary  
U.S. House of Representatives  
2138 Rayburn House Office Building  
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Honorable Linda T. Sanchez  
Chairwoman, Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law  
U.S. House of Representatives  
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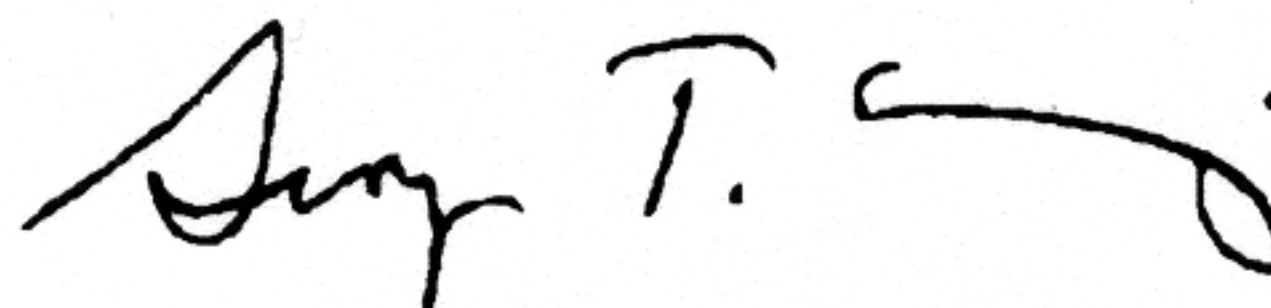
Re: Congressional Inquiry into U.S. Attorneys Matters

Dear Mr. Conyers and Ms. Sanchez:

I am in receipt of your July 11, 2007 letter. I must respectfully take issue with your characterization of Ms. Miers' circumstances and her intent. Ms. Miers has promptly and appropriately responded to the Committee's subpoena. She has been explicitly directed in correspondence from Counsel to the President dated June 28, July 9, and July 10, 2007 to neither testify nor appear at tomorrow's hearing of the Subcommittee on Commercial and Administrative Law. With all due respect, this dispute is between the Executive and Legislative branches. What is truly at stake here are the rights and privileges of two co-equal branches of government in our system of separated powers.

Accordingly, in view of the President's directions, Ms. Miers will not appear at the July 12, 2007 hearing.

Very truly yours,



George T. Manning

cc: Hon. Lamar S. Smith  
Hon. Chris Cannon  
Fred F. Fielding, Esq.