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Washington, DC 20515-6328

August 29, 2000

BY FAXSIMILE AND FIRST CLASS MAIL.

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Re: In the Matter of Representative Earl F. Hilliard

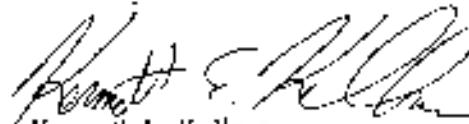
Dear Mr. Lotkin:

In our telephone conversation of August 21, 2000, you communicated, *inter alia*, that Representative Hilliard would appear voluntarily before the Investigative Subcommittee to give sworn testimony in the above referenced matter as requested by the Subcommittee. During our conversation you further stated that due to a trial scheduled to take place in Baltimore, you would be unavailable to represent Representative Hilliard at a hearing prior to September 21, 2000. You stated, however, that both you and Representative Hilliard were available on both September 21, 2000 and September 22, 2000.

This is to inform you that the Investigative Subcommittee has adjusted its schedule in order to receive testimony from Representative Hilliard on the dates you indicated that both you and Representative Hilliard were available. Accordingly, the Subcommittee has scheduled a hearing for the purpose of obtaining sworn testimony from Representative Hilliard to take place on September 21, 2000 and September 22, 2000, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding at 6:00 p.m. on each day. The hearing will take place in the offices of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, H1-2, The Capitol.

The Subcommittee appreciates Representative Hilliard's cooperation in this matter. Please confirm in writing by August 31, 2000 that Representative Hilliard will appear on September 21, 2000 and on September 22, 2000 as scheduled.

Sincerely,


Kenneth E. Kellner
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Dear Mr. Kellner:

Re: In the Matter of Representative Earl F. Hilliard

This responds to your letter of August 29, 2000 concerning the schedule for obtaining sworn testimony from Representative Hilliard in the above-referenced matter. Both Representative Hilliard and I will be available on September 21, 2000 and September 22, 2000, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and concluding at 6:00 p.m. on each day.

Sincerely,

Ralph L. Lotkin

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Dear Mr. Lotkin:

In response to your letter dated August 30, 2000, this is to confirm that Representative Hilliard will appear and give sworn testimony to the Investigative Subcommittee on September 21, 2000 and September 22, 2000, in accordance with my letter to you dated August 29, 2000.

Sincerely,

Kenneth E. Kellner
Counsel to the Investigative Subcommittee