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The Honorable David Dreier
Governor-Elect Schwarzenegger's
Transition Team
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RE: Director, California's Homeland Security

Dear Congressman Dreier:

I write to recommend James J. Wedick, Jr. for the position of Director, California's Homeland Security. Although I have not had the opportunity to work directly with him, I know he has an excellent reputation as a very talented FBI agent with extensive experience in handling complex and high-profile white collar crime cases. He was the case agent in two highly successful public corruption probes code named BRISPEC and REZONE. BRISPEC led to the conviction of five state legislators and a California Coastal Commissioner. REZONE resulted in seventeen convictions, including those of city council members and developers in the San Joaquin Valley. He is the 1994 recipient of the FBI Director's Award for "Outstanding Criminal Investigation" for his work on BRISPEC.

He has also demonstrated excellent supervisory skills. As the supervisor of the White Collar Squad, and working closely with state and federal partners, he has overseen one of the most successful efforts in the nation to combat health care fraud. I also understand that he supervised the FBI's Sacramento Incident Command Post following the tragic events of September 11th and routinely assumes the responsibilities of those agents in charge of the office.

I am pleased to recommend Mr. Wedick for the position of Director of California's Homeland Security.

Very truly yours,

McGREGOR W. SCOTT
United States Attorney

cc: ✓ James Wedick, FBI Sacramento