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Honorable Harold M. Williams
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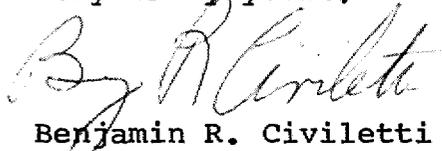
Dear Chairman Williams:

SEC. & EXCH. COMM.

It is my understanding that the Commission staff is now conducting investigations into allegations of improper payments to foreign government officials by the Grumman Corporation and by the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation. As you know, the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice has been reviewing allegations of such improper payments by a number of corporations to determine whether such payments may have been made in violation of one or more provisions of federal law. Accordingly, I am requesting that the Commission authorize staff members participating in the investigations of the Grumman Corporation and the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation to disclose the details of those investigations, consistent with any outstanding protective orders, to attorneys from the Criminal Division and any federal investigative agents assisting such attorneys.

I would appreciate your giving this matter expedited attention.

Very truly yours,



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