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Office of the Assistant Attorney General

Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Henry A. Waxman  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Waxman:

This is in response to your letter dated June 6, 2002, to Attorney General John Ashcroft about the forfeiture action filed in the United States District Court for the Central District of California against the Los Angeles Cannabis Resources Center and requesting that the action be withdrawn. We apologize for our delay in responding.

We can assure you that careful review is given to every decision to prosecute. However, legal and ethical considerations preclude us from discussing the details or circumstances of our decisions in particular cases. We appreciate your concern in this matter and regret that we cannot be of further assistance.

Please do not hesitate to contact the Department if you have concerns about other matters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "D. Bryant".

Daniel J. Bryant  
Assistant Attorney General