Statement of

The Honorable Orrin Hatch.

United States Senator Utah March 4, 2004

Joint Statement

Of Senate Judiciary Chairman Orrin Hatch, (R-Utah)

And Ranking Member Patrick Leahy (D-Vt.)

On the Release of the Pickle Report

"Due to an administrative error, the unredacted version of the Senate Sergeant At Arms Report was mistakenly released to the media Thursday afternoon.

"There was no intention on anyone's part to release this version at this time. We believe this report is accurate, but the version released contains sensitive information and we ask that any members of the media and the public respect the privacy of individuals named in the report, who were inadvertently identified.

"A redacted version of the report is available on the Judiciary Committee's web site."

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