The Honorable Charles E. Grassley Chairman United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary 224 Dirksen Senate Office Building Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: Nomination of John A. Eisenberg

Dear Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

We write in support of the nomination of John A. Eisenberg to serve as Assistant Attorney General for the National Security Division (NSD) at the United States Department of Justice.

We have known Mr. Eisenberg for nearly 20 years and have served with him at the Justice Department and in private practice. We know him to be a person of high integrity and excellent judgment and are confident he will uphold the fundamental values of the Justice Department to pursue prosecutions in an impartial and independent way. We also know from our work with John that he is deeply committed to protecting the American people from threats to our national security and is keenly aware of the need to utilize all available legal and investigative tools to accomplish that end in a manner that is consistent with the Constitution and our laws.

John's experience and legal skills make him particularly well suited to serve in this position. Early in his career as a Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Office of Legal Counsel, he was responsible for addressing some of the most difficult legal problems facing the Executive Branch, including in matters related to national security. As an Associate Deputy Attorney General, he managed the Department's national security portfolio, including overseeing the work of the NSD. As Legal Advisor to the National Security Council, John oversaw the entire national security operation of the Executive Branch and regularly provided legal advice on the most critically important and sensitive matters.

By virtue of his experience, temperament, judgment, and legal ability, we believe Mr. Eisenberg will serve ably and honorably in this important role. We hope the Committee will promptly consider his nomination and report him favorably to the full Senate for confirmation.

Sincerely,

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