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The Department of Justice has been of great assistance to us in putting this bill together. In particular, I would like to thank Attorney General John Ashcroft and his Deputy Larry Thompson for their wise counsel, their leadership, and their quick response to our many questions and concerns. Michael Chertoff, the Assistant Attorney General for the Criminal Division was a frequent participant in our meetings, as was Assistant Attorneys General Dan Bryant and Viet Dinh. Justice Department lawyers Jennifer Newstead, John Yoo, John Elwood, Pat O'Brien, and Carl Thorsen were also important and valuable participants in this process.

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