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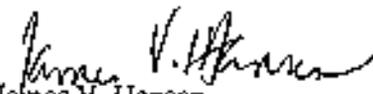
Dear Colleague:

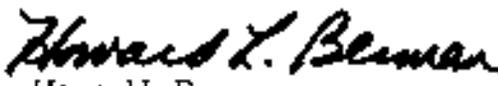
The Committee has reviewed the attached articles published by *The Hill* on December 3 and December 10, 1997, as well as your published responses to those articles. Pursuant to Rule 19 of the Rules of the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, we invite you to respond in writing to the allegations contained in those articles, and to provide any additional information you may desire regarding the articles.

The Committee asks that your response to this request be more specific and detailed than your published responses, and that you submit your response to the Committee by no later than January 30, 1998.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Chief Counsel Theodore J. Van Der Meid, Counsel David H. Laufman, or Counsel Virginia H. Johnson at (202) 225-7103.

Sincerely,

  
James V. Hansen  
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