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Honorable James E. Hall
Chairman
National Transportation Safety Board
490 L'Enfant Plaza East, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20594

Dear Mr. Chairman,

This letter will confirm that the FBI agrees to produce to the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) redacted FBI FD-302s recording the results of interviews of eyewitnesses to the crash of TWA Flight 800 for use by the Board in connection with its continuing investigation. The information redacted from the FD-302s will consist primarily of the names, addresses and other information that would tend to identify the witnesses. The FBI understands that the NTSB will reconstitute the witness group to review these materials and that the redacted FD-302s will be placed in the Flight 800 public docket. We expect that it will take approximately three weeks to process these materials and provide them to NTSB.

The FBI participants in the witness group will be Special Agents M.L. Lieber and Ted Otto. We also suggest that the CIA, which you know provided analytical assistance to the FBI with respect to the eyewitnesses' statements, be contacted and asked to participate in this process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Lewis D. Schiliro", is written over the typed name.

Lewis D. Schiliro
Assistant Director in Charge