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[redacted]
American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC), 500 North
Capitol Street, N.W., Suite 300, Washington, D.C., telephone
(202) 638-2256 was interviewed by Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI) Special Agents (SAs) [redacted]

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[redacted] regarding a classified report received by AIPAC in June
of 1984.

[redacted] was interviewed in the presence of his
Attorney, [redacted] representing the law firm of
WILLIAMS & CONNOLLY, the HILL Building, Washington, D.C.,
telephone (202) 331-5000. [redacted] provided the following
information:

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[redacted] advised that he is employed at AIPAC in
the capacity of [redacted] with responsibilities
pertaining to Congressional Relations and for Lobbying on Capitol
Hill. [redacted] advised that he first became aware of the
International Trade Commission (ITC) report being at AIPAC on a
Friday afternoon in the spring of 1984. He stated that on this
occasion [redacted] with AIPAC advised him that
she received a call from the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR)
General Counsel [redacted] asking her whether she or anyone
at AIPAC had this document. [redacted] advised that [redacted]
stated to [redacted] that she had the document and at that point
[redacted] asked that she return it to the USTR. [redacted]
asked [redacted] if it was true that she had this report and she
advised that she did have it. [redacted] subsequently examined
the document to determine if it had any secret classification or
pertained to any United States National Defense matters. [redacted]
[redacted] advised that he and [redacted] went to the office of
[redacted] of AIPAC and informed him of the
incident. [redacted] inquired as to whether [redacted] actually
had the report and if AIPAC had done anything illegal in having
it. [redacted] advised that he stated to [redacted] that it

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SAs [redacted]
By [redacted] DDR:erw Date dictated 2/14/86
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contained no National Defense information and that AIPAC did not solicit the report. Both [] were satisfied that AIPAC had not acted improperly in possessing the report.

[] immediately called [] at the USTR to make arrangements to return the document. The report was subsequently returned to the USTR by a member of the AIPAC office staff. Prior to returning this document, [] asked to have a duplicate copy of the document made so that the staff of the AIPAC could further examine the report. [] advised that he saw no "secret classifications" on the report and there were no indications that this was a report pertaining to United States National Security. He further believed that AIPAC had not acted improperly or illegally in having this report in its possession and thereafter, asked [] for AIPAC to examine the document regarding the free trade issue between the U.S. and Israel. He stated that [] retained the duplicate copy of the report and that the original report was returned to the USTR. [] advised that he did not consider this report to be especially important and thought that any controversy regarding the report had ended.

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In November of 1985, [] asked [] about the report and she stated to him that it was generally useless and that she had eventually thrown it away.

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Regarding the identity of the individual who provided the report to AIPAC, [] advised that he has no first hand knowledge pertaining to this matter. He did advise that he was told that Israeli Embassy official [] had initially provided the report to a representative of AIPAC. [] further advised that he had no information pertaining to who may have provided the report to []

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[] stated that it was his understanding that several other industries had copies of this report as well as several people on Capitol Hill and that AIPAC did not consider possessing this report an especially significant matter. [] could otherwise provide no additional information relating to who may have provided the report to [] He further requested that any future contact of him by the FBI be coordinated through his Attorney, []

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