

# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

April 3, 2006

Mr. David M. Walker  
Comptroller General  
U.S. Government Accountability Office  
Washington, DC

Dear Comptroller General Walker:

We are writing to you regarding the story in Sunday's New York Times about allegations made by Mr. Subrata Ghoshroy, an employee of the Government Accountability Office (GAO). We take the claims made by Mr. Ghoshroy very seriously and are writing to formally request a written response from you to Mr. Ghoshroy's letter and the attached New York Times article.

In addition, and most importantly, we request your written assurance that retaliatory action(s) will not be taken, either directly or indirectly, against Mr. Ghoshroy or any other GAO employee(s) who provided information on this matter to date, or in the future. In no way should Mr. Ghoshroy or other GAO employees be penalized for assisting a Congressional inquiry.

Moreover, we request that the GAO, which is responsible to Congress, (and the principles of accountability, integrity and reliability), cooperate fully with us in the event we continue examining this matter. In closing, we request that you advise all GAO employees involved in any way with this matter, either directly or indirectly, that all records, documents and materials relating in any manner whatsoever to this situation be preserved immediately.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



HOWARD L. BERMAN  
Member of Congress



CHARLES E. GRASSLEY  
United States Senator

Attached: Letter from Subrata Ghoshroy dated December 19, 2005.

CC:

Senator John Warner, Chairman, U.S. Senate Committee on Armed Services  
Senator Carl Levin, Ranking Member, U.S. Senate Committee on Armed Services  
Senator George Voinovich, Chairman, U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management,  
the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia  
Senator Daniel K. Akaka, Ranking Member, U.S. Senate Subcommittee on Oversight of Government  
Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia  
Rep. Duncan Hunter, Chairman, House Armed Services Committee  
Rep. Ike Skelton, Ranking Member, House Armed Services Committee  
Rep. Tom Davis, Chairman, House Committee on Government Reform  
Rep. Henry Waxman, Ranking Member, House Committee on Government Reform