

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

June 26, 2006

The Honorable Shamsheer M. Chowdhury
Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary
Embassy of Bangladesh
3510 International Drive, NW
Washington, D.C. 20008

Dear Ambassador Chowdhury,

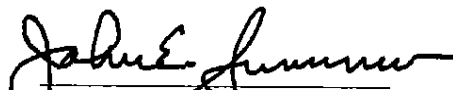
As you know, we have long had interest in the investigation and prosecution of the perpetrators of the grenade attack that killed former Bangladeshi Finance Minister Shah AMS Kibria on January 27, 2005 in the town of Habiganj in Sylhet. We are aware that the case has proceeded to the Sylhet Speedy Trial Court, but continue to be concerned by the lack of substantial progress on the case. Many questions remain outstanding:

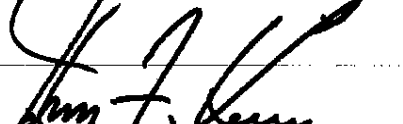
- What is the status of the two suspects still at large? What efforts is the government making to apprehend and question these individuals?
- Has the origin of the grenades used in the attack been determined? If not, why not? Are there links between this and other attacks?
- Has the large amount of money found in the bank account of Mr. Quayyum (the primary person accused in the case) been explained and/or traced?
- What further information has been developed on why Mr. Quayyum believed he would receive a seat in Parliament in return for his cooperation in the assassination? Who created this expectation?

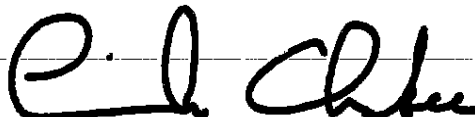
We continue to urge your government to fully investigate and prosecute this case, and to assure the Kibria family -- and the families of all the victims -- that all leads have been thoroughly investigated to ensure that justice will be achieved. We appreciate very much your attention to this case, and we look forward to your early reply conveying your Government's answers to the above questions.

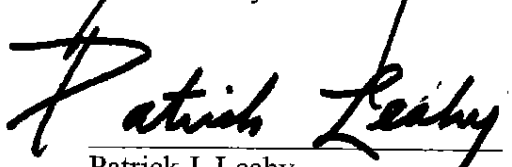
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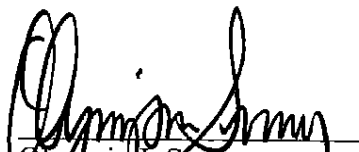

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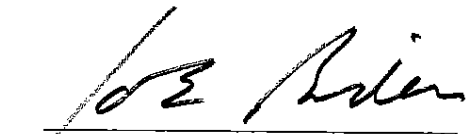

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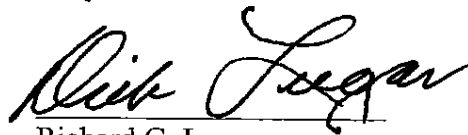

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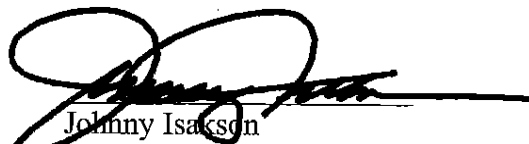

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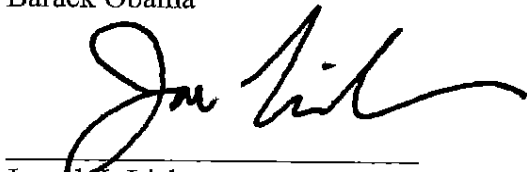

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