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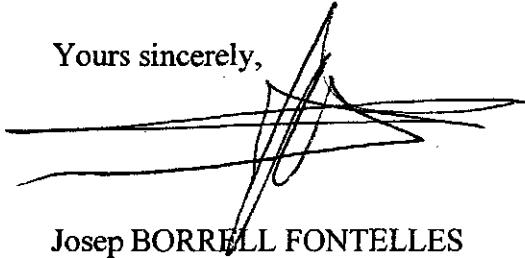
Dear Prime Minister,

Thank you for your letter dated 10 January 2006 on the matter of alleged CIA flights and detention camps in Europe. I have taken note of the setting-up by the Romanian Senate, of a Committee of Enquiry to investigate these allegations in relation to Romania. I appreciate your confirmation that no such activities took place in Romania as well as your commitment to ensure full transparency on this issue.

As you know, the European Parliament has set up a Temporary Committee on alleged use of European countries by the CIA for the transportation and illegal detention of prisoners. The mandate was in fact established on 18 January 2006. I share your view on the common interest of establishing close cooperation between the Enquiry Committee of the Senate and the Temporary Committee of the European Parliament. For this reason, a copy of your letter has been passed to Mr Carlos Coelho, Chairman of the Temporary Committee.

I look forward to a fruitful collaboration between our two Committees.

Yours sincerely,



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