MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chairman Palladino Commissioner Gilinsky Commissioner Ahearne Commissioner Roberts Commissioner Asselstine

FROM:

James J. Cummings, Director Office of Inspector and Auditor

SUBJECT:

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The attached letters from Christopher Barnes, U. S. Attorney, Cincinnati, Ohio, are furnished for your information.

By way of background, Jim Fitzgerald and I initiated a conference call with Mr. Barnes on October 28 in order to clarify some of the issues raised in his October 19 letter, particularly with regard to his suggestion concerning a joint NRC/FBI investigation.

Based on our October 28 telephone conversation and as stated in Mr. Barnes' November 2 letter, he now believes that such a joint investigation is not feasible at this time. Both OIA and OI concur in this determination.

Attachments:

- 1. Utr fm Barnes dtd 10/19/82
- 2. Ltr fm Barnes dtd 11/2/82

cc: W. Direks, EDO

J. Fitzgerald, OI

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