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Dear Congresswoman Green,

Congratulations on your yesterday's speech on the Mullen/Hunt contract. If you can spare a copy of it and any of its backing I would like very much to have them.

There is reason to suspect you are into more than appears on the surface. Because I held this belief long ago, I asked the White House for information on all Mullen contracts, pursuant to the Freedom of Information law.

Presidential counsel Dean made evasive response to one part of my request and ignored this part. It has been several months since I renewed the request for this and he has not answered. Under the law, if he were the wrong person to address, he is required to route it correctly and that agency is required to regard a referred request as though it had been made directly to it.

I can conceive of no reason for any information of this nature to be secret and I am aware of no provision of the law enabling the executive branch to hold it secret.

No good reason, that is.

Have you checked on what was done under this and previous contracts to see if by normal public-relations standards the cost could have been anything like the three-quarters of a million ~~xxx~~ dollars mentioned in today's Post story?

If you have any information on the Mullen contracts you can let me have, I'd like very much to study them and Hunt's connection with them as well as those of others. I am absolutely certain the Hunt relationship with Mullen was something more than that of a hired pen. And longer, both ways in time.

Thank you very much for what I think is an important public service, attempting to air this matter. And for anything you can let me have.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg