January 28, 2011

The Honorable Barack Obama The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20500-0001

Dear Mr. President:

I was Counsel to the President in 1993-94. Along with Deputy Attorney General Philip Heymann, who has written to you regarding Jonathan Pollard, I also extensively reviewed the Pollard file while I served in the White House. I write this letter to state that I fully share the view expressed by Professor Heymann — as well as the other distinguished former public officials who have written to you — that the time has come for Jonathan Pollard's sentence to be commuted.

I will not repeat the cogent reasons set forth in Professor Heymann's letter except to say that I too believe that Jonathan Pollard has been appropriately punished for his conduct and that a failure at this time to commute his sentence would not serve the course of justice; indeed, I respectfully believe, it would be a miscarriage of justice.

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