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June 2, 2003

Ms. Sandy Rios, President  
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Dear Ms. Rios:

Thank you for your letter of April 20, 2003, wherein you voiced your concern for what appears to be a proliferation of pornography and obscene matter available to our young people on the Internet. We share your concern. The investigation and prosecution of child exploitation and obscenity cases is a priority in the Eastern District of California. We have aggressively targeted those defendants who trade and traffic in pornographic and obscene material. We further have increased our investigations of individuals who seek out children on the Internet with the intent to persuade or entice those children to engage in unlawful sexual activity. Such undercover investigations have resulted in numerous successful prosecutions, and will likely increase in number due to better coordination with local and state law enforcement agencies.

In order to address this targeted effort, we have increased the number of trained prosecutors who handle our pornography and obscenity cases from one or two, seven years ago, to nine experienced prosecutors, today.

Additionally, my office has engaged in significant outreach to state and local law enforcement – both investigators and prosecutors alike – in an effort to work in a more cohesive “taskforce-like” fashion. We have found that by sharing information regarding investigations and targets, we can better determine which jurisdiction is the more appropriate for prosecution, and which jurisdiction will reap the higher prison sentence, thereby better ensuring the safety of potential victims. I assure you that any referral from the public is taken seriously, and forwarded to law enforcement for followup.

With regard to your specific request asking for the status of complaints, please understand that I am prohibited from commenting on any pending investigation. I did ask our prosecutors about the complaints you referred to, and I have been informed our office did not receive the list

Ms. Sandy Rios, President

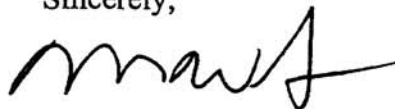
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of complaints your letter referenced. On May 2, 2003, however, I received a letter from Morality in Media, Inc., dated May 2, 2003, which included an attachment listing complaints received, dated April, 2003. That list will be referred to the FBI for analysis and further investigation if warranted.

I appreciate your concern for these very troubling crimes. Please know that we take very seriously the complaints we receive and will continue to aggressively root out and prosecute those persons who prey upon the innocence of our young people.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "mawf", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

McGREGOR W. SCOTT  
United States Attorney