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Senator Martin Looney
Senator Martin Roraback
Bipartisan Committee of Review
C/O Sandra Forte
Room 5100
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Dear Chairman Looney and Roraback:

In this morning's Hartford Courant there is a quote attributed to Chairman Looney regarding the pictures of the wounds on Senator DeLuca's granddaughter. Senator DeLuca is troubled by the quote attributed to Senator Looney. The quotation is as follows: "At this point, [the pictures] are fairly graphic, but there is not clear attestation that they are Mrs. Colella. They are not submitted with an affidavit."

As you know, Senator DeLuca submitted the pictures of his granddaughter's injuries during his statement made under oath. In his sworn statement, Senator DeLuca identified and authenticated the pictures that were contained in the binder provided to all of the Committee members. Indeed, the pictures of his granddaughter's injuries were the only pictures provided to the Committee. The suggestion that there was not a "clear attestation" that the pictures were of Senator DeLuca's granddaughter's wounds is inaccurate. Further, the expressed concern that the pictures were not submitted with an affidavit is impertinent, and prejudicial to Senator DeLuca, because the pictures were clearly identified and authenticated under oath during Senator DeLuca's presentation.

Senator DeLuca is concerned that one of the chairmen of the Committee is making public statements that do not properly reflect the state of the record before the Committee. Senator DeLuca is unsure whether Chairman Looney's remarks have been inaccurately quoted or whether they reflect the pitfalls of extemporaneous statements about this very serious matter. In any event, the record before the Committee is clear that the pictures of Senator DeLuca's granddaughter's domestic

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Committee is clear that the pictures of Senator DeLuca's granddaughter's domestic abuse injuries have been authenticated under oath.

Most sincerely,



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cc: Senator Louis DeLuca

