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Dear Mr. Butowsky:

During its meeting of 18 November 2004, the Commission reviewed and approved the proposed concept for the perimeter security barriers for the U.S. State Department Main Headquarters Building at 23rd and C Streets. The project is well-developed and respectful of the existing architecture, while improving the existing streetscape. The corner elements require more extensive design, perhaps leading to an object with some vertical dimension and a smaller footprint.

The Commission encourages and strongly supports efforts to secure a better design for a flat-plate barrier and looks forward to further review of this and other projects for the U.S. State Department. Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday the 25th of January 2005, with a submission deadline on the 6th of January. As always, the staff is available should you require guidance.

Sincerely,



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