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Dear Mr. Bryan:

During its meeting of 18 November 2004, the Commission reviewed the revised concept for perimeter security upgrades at the North and South Gates of the Potomac Annex, located at 23rd and E Streets, NW. Although the revised design is improved, some modifications are necessary to create entrances that are complementary to the facility and respond to the context of the urban site. The arch of the gate should be shallower, reducing the overall height as much as possible. In addition, any special vehicle-arresting fence should more closely resemble the proposed decorative fence.

The Commission looks forward to further review of this project and strongly recommends coordination with the U.S. Department of State due to the proximity of the facilities. As always, the staff is available should you require guidance.

Sincerely,

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