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Levan Avalishvili, Giorgi Kldiashvili, Institute for Development of Freedom of Information, Republic of Georgia.

Dear Mr. Avalishvili, Dear Mr. Kldiashvili,

In addition to providing information and technical advice to the IDFI, the National Security Archive is pleased to provide \$10,000 to help cover some of the initial costs of your projects aimed at promoting freedom of information in the Republic of Georgia. As a tax-exempt nonprofit organization ourselves, we share your goals and are happy to collaborate with your organization toward our common goal of openness and transparency. We support your plan, as expressed in your proposal, to engage in research and educational work with the goal to improve access to information about the work of the government for the Georgian public and contribute to the development of effective e-government in Georgia. As we discussed in our previous correspondence, these funds are intended to help you carry out the first stage of monitoring of the government web sites and to prepare and publish a report about freedom of information in Georgia. It will also cover your expenses for purchasing two computers needed to carry out the monitoring.

We wish you every success in your work.

Sincerely.

Thomas Blanton, Director The National Security Archive

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