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## Dear Senator Feinstein:

I am concerned for whistle blowers. An organization as large as the federal government will rapidly become inefficient and corrupt without a robust and trusted system to report abuses. Such a whistle blower system must be able to both protect those filing reports and conduct independent reviews with timely results. Congress and even the executive recognized this need in the VA two years ago but todays report found the resulting oversight to be a complete failure. This month the President also demonstrated the importance of such a system. He committed treason only to be called out by a brave whistle blower. He tried to subvert both the DOJ oversight of the process and the classification system to undermine the independent investigation. He tried to undermine protections with exposure and charges of treason.

Please assure me that you will protect whistle blowers.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our freedoms.

Sincerely, Eric Babson