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re A King 030310 with signature.pdf

Ms. Lane, per your instructions the response from CFSA's General Counsel, James Toscano is attached (absent signature) as a word document. I have also attached a signed version of the document.

Let me know if additional information is needed.

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March 3, 2010

Najat Maalla M'jid
Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children,
Child Prostitution and Child Pornography

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Thank you for the copy of your letter of 18 January 2010. As there are cases currently pending in the Domestic Relations Branch of the Superior Court where the mother is currently suing for custody and in the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia where the mother is pursuing her FOIA denial, I am limited to what it is I can discuss regarding this matter. Please be assured that we take every complaint of abuse and neglect seriously and thoroughly investigate those complaints.

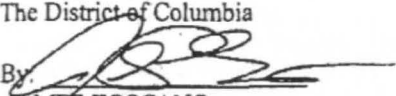
I can not comment on the contents or findings of the investigation as I am prohibited by the Confidentiality Laws of the District of Columbia. However, I can state that the "mandated reporters" mentioned in the letter had no contact with the child and that CFSA did conduct a thorough investigation of the allegations on multiple occasions. Also, the allegations of medical neglect and sex abuse have been lodged by the mother in multiple jurisdictions including Maryland, Virginia, New York and the District of Columbia. Please note that a parent may obtain copies of the investigation summaries if they are founded or inconclusive but not if unfounded as those reports are expunged from the Child Protection Registry. Finally, it is important to note that the child has no contact with the mother because a valid court order issued by the Commonwealth of Virginia prohibits contact by and with the mother.

The letter is the first mention of any allegation that Ariana-Leilani is being exploited by her father and his friends and colleagues, through use in pornography and other forms of sexual exploitation. If the mother has any credible evidence of this, she has failed to provide such evidence to any authority in the District of Columbia. If there are any new allegations of facts that support any claim of child abuse or neglect they should be conveyed to the CFSA hotline at (202)671-SAFE (7233).

If you have any questions or need any further information, please contact me at (202)442-4238.

Sincerely,

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