Timeline Regarding Destruction of Abu Zubaydah Videotapes

30 November 2002: OGC attorney drafts MFR concluding that the cable traffic accurately described the interrogation methods employed and that the methods conform to the applicable legal and policy guidance.

9 January 2003: OGC attorney drafts MFR concluding that the cable traffic accurately described the interrogation methods employed and that the methods conform to the applicable legal and policy guidance.

1 April 2004: GC attends meeting at the White House and is told by Addington and Gonzales not to destroy the tapes.

11 May 2004: GC attends meeting at the White House and is told by Addington and Gonzales not to destroy the tapes.

4 November 2005: DDO releases cable authorizing the destruction of tapes.

5 November 2005: CTC sends language to ODDO for approval to destroy the tapes.

8 November 2005: CTC sends a note to ODDO saying he has gotten concurrence on the language for the cable. He also says that he understands.
going to call [REDACTED] with the language for the cable rather than email it to him.

(TS/ [REDACTED] receives the note and replies that the exchange with [REDACTED] has already taken place. He phoned the language to [REDACTED] and sent the cable. He notes that DDO already approved the destruction of the tapes.

(TS/ [REDACTED] AGC learns that the tapes were destroyed and contacts DCIA Chief of Staff. AGC notes that DNI and Harriet Miers as recently as a few months ago opposed the idea of destroying the tapes. He states they need to be notified of the destruction as well as others.