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ORDER

On Immary 12, 2001, the Court denied Defendant Jonathan J. Pollard's motion to grant his current lawyers access to classified documents for the purposes of his elementy petition. Defendant appealed from that decision. On July 22, 2005, the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit held that the federal courts lack jurisdiction to review claims for access to documents predicate to Article II clemency petitions. The Court of Appeals vacated this Court's denial of Defendant's motion and remanded the motion for dismissal. Accordingly, it is hereby

ORDERED that Defendant's motion for access to classified documents is DISMISSED for lack of jurisdiction.

SO ORDERED,

Defendant.

January 19, 2006

Thomas F. Hogaz

Chief Judge

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Weinberger's antipathy for Israel' called reason for Pollard's life term

WASHINGTON — For the first time, a U.S. official has acknowledged that anti-Israeli sentiment was the reason for imposing a life sentence on an American Jew convicted of relaying classified data to Israel.

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A former senior Defense Department official said Jonathan Pollard has been kept in prison because of anti-Israeli sentiment with the government. The former official has called on President Barack Obama to release Pollard, a former U.S. Navy analyst, after serving 25 years in prison.

"Based on the knowledge that I have firsthand, I can

confidently say that the punishment was so severe because of lack of sympathy for Israel by the U.S. Secretary of Defense at the time, my boss, Caspar Weinberger," Lawrence Korb, the former Pentagon official, wrote.



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Korb, who had served as assistant defense secretary, said others convicted of offenses similar to those of Pollard have been sentenced to as little as

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two years. In his letter to Obama, Korb said Pollard received a "disproportionate punishment" because of pressure from the late Weinberger, who served in the administration of then-President Ronald Reagan from 1981 to 1987.

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"Although Pollard pleaded guilty, cooperated with the government and asked for clemency, he received disproportionate punishment," Korb said. "Jonathan Pollard is the only person in the history of the United States to receive a life sentence for passing classified information to an American ally."

Korb's letter has been part of an effort in Congress to commute Pollard's life sentence. A handful of House members have been circulating a letter for Obama to release Pollard as part of efforts to improve U.S. relations with Israel and promote the peace process with the Palestinian Authority.

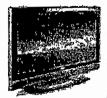
"We further believe that at a time when Israel, our democratic ally, is being faced with difficult decisions, a decision by you to grant clemency would not only be a humane act regarding Mr. Pollard, but it would also be taken in Israel as a further affirmation of the strong commitment the U.S. has to the ties between us, and we believe that such an affirmation could be especially useful at a time when those decisions are being made," a letter signed by Rep. Barney Frank, Rep. Bill Pascrell, Rep. Edolphus Towns and Rep. Anthony Weiner said.

Weinberger, who had called the naval analyst the most dangerous of U.S. spies, did not discuss the Pollard case in his autobiography. Years after he left office, Weinberger acknowledged that the case had been minor.

"So if he was sentenced today he could not sit 25 years in prison," Korb said, "Justice will be done if the sentence is shortened to what has already been run to date." :b:

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