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The President  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

Recent news reports of years of large cash payments to President Karzai, if accurate, indicate an incoherent U.S. policy toward Afghanistan.

Our support for the Karzai administration should have evolved long ago into regular and more sustainable efforts that are fully coordinated across the government and are calibrated to ensure collaboration with U.S. policies. The alleged arrangements make accountability impossible and promote corruption at the top levels of the Afghan government, as well as break trust with the American taxpayer.

Please provide an explanation, with a classified annex if necessary, for how this alleged policy fits within overall U.S. objectives in Afghanistan.

Sincerely,



Bob Corker  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Foreign Relations