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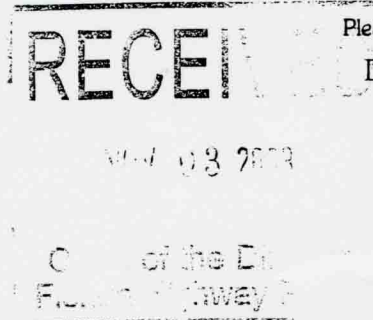
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Please Reply To:

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Col. Christopher Knight  
Director of Florida Highway Patrol  
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RE: State v. Frank Morse, Jr.

Dear Col. Knight:

I would like to commend your agency for the outstanding assistance I have received regarding the pending criminal case State v. Frank Morse, Jr. Specifically, Cpl. David Staley has worked non-stop to provide me with everything I have requested and has been a pleasure to work with. This level of commitment and cooperation is essential to ensure that justice is achieved and you should be proud.

I would also like to note that Lt. James Potter has given Cpl. Staley the time and resources to conduct this thorough investigation. Furthermore, Lt. Potter has had continuous contact with my office verifying the status of the case and has been a great help to my office.

Serious, complicated cases take a tremendous joint effort spanning multiple agencies. I am quite pleased to see this investigation moving forward swiftly and competently.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lon Scott Arend".

Lon Scott Arend  
Assistant State Attorney