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Enclosed is a copy of the "Intelligencer" page from the June 22nd issue of New York magazine (p. 7). Ours is the lead piece!

Since our critique presents a fantastic opportunity to halt the otherwise inexorable confirmation of judicial nominees by putting the blame where it rightfully belongs--upon the Justice Department and the White House, we trust that the Congresswoman will bring it to the attention of the Democratic leadership, as well of the Black Caucus which is presently battling the Carnes confirmation (see NYT 6/11/92 article).

Indeed, it is Congress' obligation to call for such moratorium. As set forth in our June 11, 1992 letter to the Senate Judiciary Committee (with a copy to Senate Majority Leader Mitchell):

> "...the public interest is in immediate danger in a manner analogous to that presented by the discovery that medical screening had failed to prevent transmission of contaminated blood to a patient. There is no question but that such discovery would result in an immediate emergency halt of all blood transfusions--until the source of contamination was isolated and safeguards put in place.
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> We have documented that our judicial nominating process has been infected by a contaminated legal screening process which has resulted in "approved" ratings of unfit nominees for life-time federal judgeships. Our findings present an issue of emergency national concern."

Elena Ruth Sassower