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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT'S CENTRALIZED HOUSING AND  
CLASSIFICATION UNIT'S QUARTERLY UPDATE**

Since the last quarterly update report to the Board of Supervisors concerning the Central Housing and Classification of jail inmates on April 17, 2006, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department (Department) has implemented the Central Housing Unit (CHU) offices at Pitchess Detention Center (North Office) and the Inmate Reception Center (South Office). Security levels now dictate the housing assignments for all general population inmates.

CHU North at Pitchess Detention Center became operational on May 21, 2006, and consists of one sergeant, one supervising line deputy, and a combination of nine deputy generalists and custody assistants. CHU North assumed control and responsibility for housing all inmates transported to the three separate custody facilities at Pitchess Detention Center.

CHU South at the Inmate Reception Center became operational on June 25, 2006, and consists of one sergeant, one supervising line deputy, and a combination of twelve deputy generalists and custody assistants. CHU South assigns housing locations at the Twin Towers Correctional Facility and Men's Central Jail to newly booked inmates and inmates transported to the Inmate Reception Center from Pitchess Detention Center. Recently, CHU South coordinated the newly instituted Men's Central Jail Inmate Reduction Plan, where approximately 1,200 inmates from Men's Central Jail were rehoused at other custody facilities.

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Due to the ever-changing nature of the inmate population, the Department's master housing plan is continually reviewed, updated, and adjusted by CHU to identify appropriate housing for every inmate who enters the jail system.

The Department is aware that improved technology is essential to the long-term success in managing the County's appreciable inmate population. We are actively seeking solutions to replace antiquated systems such as the Automated Jail Information System (AJIS) and finding ways for current technology to work together with existing computer platforms. CHU has been given the responsibility of ensuring that these concerns are addressed and a successful transition occurs.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call Chief Marc Klugman, Correctional Services Division, at (213) 893-5017.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leroy Baca". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

LEROY D. BACA  
SHERIFF

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