

# **WHEN AND TO WHAT DEGREE WAS JOHN ASHCROFT READ INTO THE ILLEGAL SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM?**

We have long known that John Ashcroft was not properly read into the illegal domestic surveillance program Senator Whitehouse suggested as much when Attorney General Gonzales testified in July 2007. And both Gonzales and Robert Mueller revealed that John Ashcroft—from his ICU bed—complained that his advisors had not been able to get read into the program and as a result he was ill-informed about the program.

But the IG Report raises new