

SAMUEL R. PIERCE, JR., (then) Secretary of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), HUD Headquarters, Washington, D.C., was interviewed in his office suite by Inspector General PAUL A. ADAMS and Special Agent LEW W. SHERMAN on January 19, 1989.

Secretary PIERCE advised substantially as follows regarding his knowledge of JOHN MITCHELL and a Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation project by the name of ARAMIS, LTD., Miami, Florida:

Secretary PIERCE advised he has known JOHN MITCHELL for several years, even preceeding MITCHELL's stint as Attorney General in the NIXON Administration, but that MITCHELL never talked to him about anything relating to HUD matters.

Additionally, Secretary PIERCE advised that he was unfamiliar with the Miami-based project known as ARAMIS, LTD., and that DEBORAH G. DEAN, his former Executive Assistant, never discussed the project with him to his recollection.

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