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Agency's eagerness to help put low-income families into homes led to decisions that some housing experts blame for fueling risky lending practices.

Carol D. Leonnig

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Anny Shin

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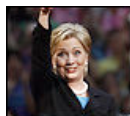
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Ernesto Londoño and Saad Al-Izzi

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