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INVESTIGATION DISCOVERY LAUNCHES NEW SERIES HOSTED BY LEGENDARY JOURNALIST BARBARA WALTERS

-- "American Scandal with Barbara Walters" Takes Viewers Behind-the-Scenes of Exclusive Headline-Making Interviews--

(Silver Spring, Md.) -- From Mary Kay Letourneau to the Menendez Brothers, Jim Bakker to Jean Harris, these are the stories that both shocked and captivated the nation. The controversial tales stayed in the headlines and not only dominated the 24-hour news cycle, but created it. The crimes kept the public mesmerized and the political scandals captivated the country. Newsmakers scrambled to get the interviews that would make history as these mysteries unfolded but, only one journalist was so respected that she got these stories first, **Barbara Walters**. Now Investigation Discovery teams with Walters and ABC's Lincoln Square Productions to recount these gripping stories with key players and original reporters as well as new, exclusive interviews, in Investigation Discovery's original series, **AMERICAN SCANDAL WITH BARBARA WALTERS** premiering 4Q 2015.

"Barbara Walters sets the bar for journalism with remarkable and iconic interviews and unparalleled instinct for getting to the heart of a story," said Henry Schleiff, Group President, Discovery Networks. "AMERICAN SCANDAL combines a 'now-and-then' approach to the narrative, marrying historical background with new insight from renowned newswoman, Barbara Walters, as she leads viewers eloquently through those often troubling subjects."

"These interviews made huge headlines at the time, but none of the stories ended there. It's fascinating to learn what happened to these people in the years since I first interviewed them. Now, with all new details we've uncovered, they will likely make headlines again," said Ms. Walters. "It's great to be collaborating with the team at Investigation Discovery on this series."

Featuring brand new interviews from individuals who have never spoken before, **AMERICAN SCANDAL WITH BARBARA WALTERS** also opens the vaults of the newswoman's most memorable one-on-ones offering unprecedented access, not just retelling infamous stories, but uncovering new angles and information, as well as new scenes from the original interviews. For the first time, viewers will hear from people who weren't interviewed at the time of the news-making story to shed new light. Barbara Walters provides backstory of these iconic tales—the behind-the-scenes scoop that no one ever heard or saw – often admitting to her own personal thoughts for the first time, ever.

AMERICAN SCANDAL WITH BARBARA WALTERS is produced for Investigation Discovery by Lincoln Square Productions with John R. Green serving as executive producer. For Investigation Discovery, Diana Sperrazza is executive producer, Sara Kozak is senior vice president of production, Kevin Bennett is general manager, and Henry Schleiff is Group President.

About Investigation Discovery

Investigation Discovery (ID) is the leading mystery-and-suspense network on television and America's favorite "guilty pleasure." From harrowing crimes and salacious scandals to the in-depth investigations and heart-breaking mysteries that result, ID challenges our everyday understanding of culture, society and the human condition. One of our nation's fastest growing cable networks, ID delivers the highest-quality programming to more than 86 million U.S. households and is available in both high definition (HD) and standard definition (SD). For more information, please visit InvestigationDiscovery.com, facebook.com/InvestigationDiscovery, or twitter.com/DiscoveryID. Investigation Discovery is part of Discovery Communications (Nasdaq: DISCA, DISCB, DISCK), the world's #1 pay-TV programmer reaching nearly 3 billion cumulative subscribers in 220 countries and territories.

About Lincoln Square Productions:

Lincoln Square Productions produces original content for broadcast, cable and digital distribution specializing in entertaining ways to tell fact based stories. Clients include ABC Television Group, Scripps Networks, Viacom, Discovery Communications, National Geographic Networks, and more. Lincoln Square Productions is a wholly owned subsidiary of American Broadcasting Companies, Inc. The headquarters are located in New York City.

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