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The Honorable Carl Levin, Chairman U.S. Senate Armed Services Committee Fax: 202-228-0036

Dear Senator Levin:

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