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UNDER SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
4000 DEFENSE PENTAGON
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20301-4000

The Honorable Jack Reed
Chairman
Committee on Armed Services
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

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Sincerely,

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Gilbert R. Cisneros Jr.

cc:

The Honorable Roger F. Wicker
Ranking Member



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