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The Honorable Donald Rumsfeld Secretary of Defense Washington, D.C. 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I am writing to inform you that I will be joining a Congressional Delegation, led by Senator John McCain, traveling to Colombia and Ecuador on official government business from February 19-22, 2001, and have authorized participation in this trip, to include use of military and commercial air as necessary, for myself and Mark Esper, a professional staff member of my Committee. I request that expenditure of funds for the payment of actual and necessary expenses, and such transportation as may be required, be authorized pursuant to Title 31, U.S.C., 1108(g).

Thank you for your support and assistance. Should you have further questions, please have your staff contact Mark Esper at (202) 224-4751.

Chairman

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