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Honorable Donald H. Rumsfeld Secretary of Defense Department of Defense Washington, DC 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary,

In connection with their responsibilities as Members of the Senate Armed Services Committee, the Ranking Member, Senator Carl Levin, along with Senator Jack Reed, Senator Bill Nelson and Senator Ben Nelson, plan to travel to Colombia and Ecuador during the period February 23, 2001 through February 25, 2001. Mr. David S. Lyles, Staff Director for the Minority and Mr. Richard D. DcBobes, Minority Counsel on the Senate Armed Services Committee will be traveling with the Senators.

I would appreciate the support and assistance of the Department of Defense in providing such transportation, including the use of foreign carrier air transportation and in theater military aircraft, as may be required.

Expenditure of funds for the payment of actual and necessary expenses and such transportation as may be required is authorized by 31 U.S.C. 1108(g).

Thank you for your assistance in this matter .

With kind regards, I am

Chairman