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December 10, 2001

The Honorable Donald H. Rumsfeld
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The Pentagon
Washington, DC 20301

Dear Mr. Secretary

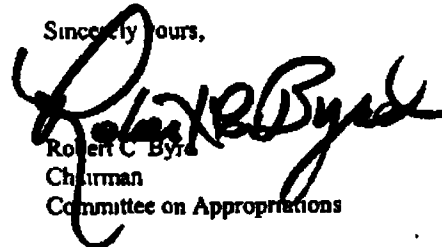
This is to inform you that I have authorized Senator Arlen Specter and Senator Ben Nighthorse Campbell to travel on official Appropriations Committee business during the approximate period from January 2, 2002 through January 14, 2002, to the following destinations: Cuba, Columbia, Peru, Chile, Argentina, Uruguay, and Brazil. For purposes of protocol, Senators Specter and Campbell will be accompanied by their spouses.

I request that military aircraft be authorized for transportation to and from Washington, DC, as well as a military escort officer to assist the congressional delegation.

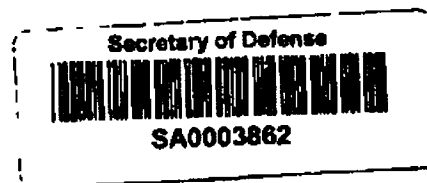
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

With best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,


Robert C. Byrd
Chairman
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