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Oct. 5, 2015

Dr. Ashton Carter
1400 Defense Pentagon

Dear Dr. Carter:

The newspapers report that you are conducting an inquiry into the bombing of the hospital at Kunduz. Perhaps I can help. I think that you should first consider that this is just another example of "accidental" attacks on innocent civilians. We have also recently read about the bombing of a wedding in Yemen. And then there are all of the many less advertised deaths of innocent civilians. The number is probably over 1000 by now.

I believe the root of the problem is some software that is being misused by the CIA. I know this because my son is the one who wrote the software. About eight years ago, he worked for a defense contractor, Ticom Geomatics. While there, he wrote software for air-sea rescue. I believe that he even went out on navy ships to test it. The system uses triangulation. Signals are received from the downed airplane by two fairly well separated receivers. This works fairly well, as long as the receivers are moving with some reasonable speed. The problem is that, if the receivers are stationary, it doesn't work. The identified source of the signal can be off by 200 meters. As a physicist, I can only guess that small fluctuations in the refractive index of the air over the two paths cause the problem. This effect seems to be washed out as the speed of the receivers is increased. You can find out more about this by contacting a research institute connected with the University of Texas. The data to back up what I have told you originally came from them. It somehow found its way from them to Ticom Geomatics.

My son was terribly upset when he learned that his software had been sold to the CIA. He insisted that its use would kill too many innocent civilians. When his protests were to no avail, he left Ticom Geomatics. Apparently, Ticom Geomatics didn't bother to tell the CIA that the receivers had to be moving at a reasonable speed. After all, they had a product to sell! When I showed him the story about the hospital in Kunduz being bombed, he had a terribly pained expression on his face. He is now trying to start a solar energy business.

My son doesn't talk about this much. I only recently learned the details that I gave above.

I suggest that you begin your investigation by collecting information on all of the attacks that used the Ticom Geomatics software. I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely,

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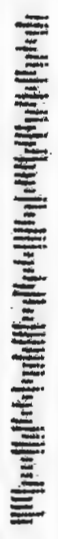
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4th of October, 2015

To: The Honorable Secretary of Defense Ashton Carter
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Dear Secretary of Defense Carter,

Thank you for your work in public service.

I was really upset to hear that the U.S. bombed a Doctors Without Borders hospital in Kunduz, Afghanistan on the 3rd of October, 2015.

Dr. Martin Luther King Junior said we need to create the beloved community through nonviolence. As the Friends Committee on National Legislation says, "War is not the answer."

Please visit www.thekingcenter.org to find out how we can change our world through nonviolence.

Sincerely,

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October 5, 2015

Ashton Carter, Secretary of Defense
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Dear Mr. Secretary,

I am horrified and outraged at the bombing of the Doctors Without Borders Hospital in Kunduz, Afghanistan on Saturday, October 3, 2015. I have been a supporter of Doctors without Borders -- financially, emotionally and morally. The organization won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1999 and is highly thought of throughout the world. It is inconceivable that their hospital would be targeted by the US military, given that the GPS Coordinates of the location were known. With all of our technical knowledge, this could not have been an accident, especially when the bombardment continued for 45 minutes, even after a phone call from the facility about being targeted. The excuse of "collateral damage" seems an outright lie, since the bombing wasn't just a single hit, but continuous bombardment. This is unacceptable. Whomever commanded this attack should be demoted.

I want the military budget to pay for rebuilding the hospital, even if Doctors Without Borders is not going to operate it. It was the only hospital within two hours! Additionally, I want the budget to compensate the families of the dead and injured. This is the least that you should do.

The New York Times commented briefly that the Afghan government disapproved of Doctors Without Borders presence because they treat everyone, even enemies of the government. Was the US military trying to appease the Kabul government?

Hospitals are protected under under International Law. Consequently, this bombing could be prosecuted as a War Crime.

As an American, I am humiliated and saddened by this attack.

Sincerely,

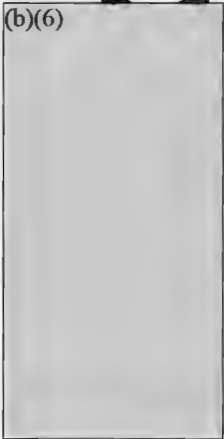
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P.S. The Department of Defense is well defended against written criticism in present time. I spent 2 hours calling my representatives and the White House to secure a FAX # of the Department, to no avail. Leaving a message machine comment, which I did, doesn't offer the opportunity for detailed comments, As an agency of my government, I believe you should be more available for written responses to your actions.



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