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AUG 26 2022

The Honorable Jon Tester
Chairman
Subcommittee on Defense
Committee on Appropriations
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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cc:

The Honorable Richard C. Shelby
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