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Dear Dr. Garcia:

I very much regret having missed the opportunity to meet with you recently when you were in Washington.

Dave Martinez in Senator Tower's office told me of his discussions with you, and I thought you might be interested in the attached information which relates to the Naval Air Station. This material was previously provided to Senator Bentsen and Congressman Young and has formed the basis for some additional inquiries on numerous issues, particularly that related to the level of base support funding in the Navy's Operation and Maintenance account. (Note question numbers 1 and 2 from the transcript of April 6.) This material has been published by the Armed Services Committee as a part of our hearings on the Department of Defense Authorization Bill. While several of the responses to Senator Tower's questions do not fully address the issues involved, you nonetheless may find some of these answers to be of interest.

I know that Senator Tower would welcome any additional comments or suggestions you might have in this connection, and I hope you will let me know if there are any specific questions you would like for us to pursue.

Sincerely,



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Attachment