JOHN YOUNG , 14th District, Texas

Congress of the United States House of Representatives

Mashington, D.C.

October 10, 1968

Hector P. Garcia, M.D. 1315 Bright Corpus Christi, Texas

Dear Dr. Hector:

Enclosed is the copy of a letter I have now received from the Department of the Air Force in response to the inquiry I made regarding the courtmartial case of Airman Basic Rosendo M. Lerma, Jr.

This enclosure is in the form of an interim reply and as soon as I receive a full report in this connection, I will contact you immediately.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

John

Encl.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY



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Dear Mr. Young:

This is an interim reply to your inquiry regarding the court-martial of Airman Basic Rosenda M. Lerma, Jr.

The appropriate oversea commander has been asked to furnish the pertinent information by the earliest practicable date. However, because the communications net in the Pacific area is overburdened with high priority operational and direct support traffic, the correspondence had to be sent via airmail instead of by electrical means, thus increasing the normal transmission time. In the circumstances, it is not anticipated that a fully responsive reply will be possible before October 23.

We hope that the delay will not inconvenience you in any way.

Sincerely,

Honorable John Young

JOHN E. LINGO, Colonel, USAF Congressional Inquiry Division Office of Legislative Liaison

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