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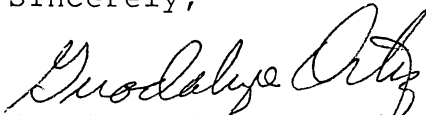
Dear Dr. Garcia:

This letter is to introduce myself as a former resident of Corpus Christi and to ask for your assistance on a project I am currently working on. I am very familiar with the wonderful work the G. I. has performed for the Hispanic veteran. My current research project deals with Hispanics who participated during the Vietnam Era.

I am currently researching information on these vets for two reasons. First, to establish a database of information to demonstrate degree of involvement by Hispanics and secondly, to provide an oral and written account of Hispanics experience while serving in the military. Presently, I have not had much success with the Pentagon because ethnic breakdown was not done during this era. I would like to request any statistics you may have regarding number of Hispanics served, Medal of Honor winners, other citations, number died would be greatly appreciated.

I hope you can assist me in this project. I would also like to have an opportunity to speak with you in the coming year.

Sincerely,



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