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Federal Express

Mr. David S. C. Chu
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Dear Mr. Chu:

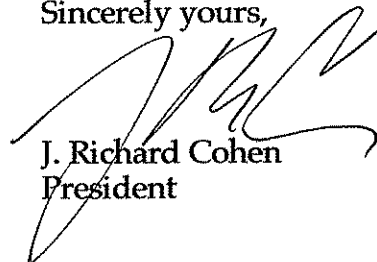
Thank you for your letter of December 22. I called you shortly after receiving it and left a message on your voice mail; however, I have not heard back from you.

To be frank, it appears that we're not getting anywhere. We provide evidence from multiple sources about the problem of extremists in the military, and you continue to claim that the military already has a zero-tolerance policy. You tell us that we should bring any information we have about extremist activity by specific Service members to the attention of the appropriate Service authorities. But, as we have explained in our reports and in previous letters to you and the Secretary, we have done so, and the authorities have not taken action.

In our view, the continued presence of racial extremists in the military is a recipe for disaster. The recent case of Marine Lance Cpl. Kody Brittingham illustrates the point. As you may know, investigators reportedly found white supremacist materials and a journal detailing a plot to assassinate the President in Brittingham's barracks at Camp Lejeune after he was arrested for armed robbery. And as the FBI concluded in its report *White Supremacist Recruitment of Military Personnel Since 9/11* released last July, "The military training veterans bring to the [white supremacist] movement and their potential to pass this training on to others can increase the ability of lone offenders to carry out violence from the movement's fringes."

We urge you to take action.

Sincerely yours,



J. Richard Cohen
President