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The Honorable [INSERT NAME]

Chairman

Committee on Appropriations

U.S. House of Representatives

Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

 I have approved the [INSERT NAME OF PROGRAM] program for initiation as a Major Defense Acquisition Program at Milestone B. In granting Milestone B approval, I waived the applicability of three components of title 10, United States Code (U.S.C.), section 4252, namely subsections 4252(a) [INSERT 3(X), 3(X), and 3(X) AS APPLICABLE]. As required by title 10 U.S.C., section 4252(d)(2), this letter informs the congressional committees of the waivers and the reasons therefore.

I waived the applicability to the [INSERT NAME OF PROGRAM] program of the following determination components specified in section 4252(a)(3):

(Notional language: [INSERT PARA (X)] that appropriate trade-offs among cost, schedule, and performance objectives have been made to ensure that program is affordable when considering the per-unit cost and total acquisition cost in the context of the total resources available during the period covered by the future years defense program submitted during the fiscal year in which certification is made;

[INSERT PARA (X)] that funding is available to execute the product development and production plan under the program through the period covered by the Future Years Defense Program submitted during the fiscal year in which the certification is made, consistent with the estimates described in subparagraph (3)(C) for the program; and

[INSERT PARA (X)] that the Secretary of the military department concerned and the Chief of the armed force concerned concur in the trade-offs made in accordance with subparagraph (3)(B).)

For each of the components of section 4252(a)(3) that I waived, I have determined that , but for the waiver, the Department would be unable to meet critical national security objectives. Milestone B approval for the [INSERT NAME OF PROGRAM] program [INSERT RATIONALE] (Notional language: is needed now to formally initiate the program so that the Air Force can proceed with development of standard modernized receiver for factors to support the fielding of a new family of modernized GPS receivers that will deliver significantly improved capability to counter current and emerging Positioning, Navigation, and Timing (PNT) threats and enable military operations in a Navigation Warfare (NAVWAR) environment where current legacy receiver performance would be compromised.)

All other components of section 4252 have been certified or determined, as required. I will continue to review the program no less often than annually until the program satisfies all the components of section 4252.

An identical letter has been sent to the other congressional defense committees.

Sincerely,

ANDREW P. HUNTER

Assistant Secretary of the Air Force

 (Acquisition, Technology & Logistics)

cc:

[AS REQUIRED]

Note:

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* Certification noted in first SAR after MS if no waivers
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