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Dear Mr. Peyton,

The reason for the International Midway Memorial Foundation's (IMMF) request to land an aircraft in August 2017 is that the Battle of Midway ceremony that the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) is hosting on Midway Island was limited to 25 persons (this was the information I received from Kevin Foerster and you). The Foundation's position is that this number of persons is too small to include the numbers of Midway Veterans, family members and persons who have previously lived and served on Midway. That is the main issue in contention here. Thus, I again ask whether the FWS will allow another aircraft to land on Midway, this time on June 5, 2017.

Regarding my acting as consultant for the ceremony, I have the following comments: In June of this year, Harry Burroughs (Board member) and I traveled to Washington, D.C. to meet with Kevin and Alice Garrett in Virginia. I requested information so that I might write an outline for all the potential events planned by FWS for the commemoration of the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Midway. That meeting was unproductive in providing me in with the information for me to write an outline for the planned activities. On August 22, I again contacted Alice and requested an answer to questions that would enable me to write the outline, again with negative results. I have yet to receive enough information to formulate the outlines required. In addition, I was to receive an update in September. To date, September 28, I have not received one.

Respectfully submitted,

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cc: Senator Lisa Murkowski Representative Ken Calvert

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