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Mr. Jesús Murillo Karam
Attorney General
United Mexican States

Dear Attorney General Murillo Karam:

We write to convey our sincere appreciation for your taking time to speak with each of us about the status of Sgt. Andrew Tahmooressi's case. As we both expressed yesterday, we remain concerned about the deleterious effect of the continued delay in Sgt. Tahmooressi's Combat Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD) treatment. Because of this, we are eager for him to begin this treatment with a specialist in the United States of America.

As you explained yesterday, Mexican law grants you, the authority to dismiss Sgt. Tahmooressi's case once you have an expert report documenting his psychological condition as a result of his two combat tours in Afghanistan. We appreciated your clarification that your ability to take such a decision was blocked because the Sgt. Tahmooressi's legal defense had not yet provided you with this report. As such, we obtained this very important report prepared by the defense medical expert following his examination of Sgt. Tahmooressi, attached herein. In addition, we are also attaching for your reference the Comprehensive Mental Treatment Plan and Diagnosis that resulted from Sgt. Tahmooressi's March 21, 2014 medical visit to the San Diego Veterans Affairs Hospital. At this appointment, the Veterans Affairs psychologist diagnosed Sgt. Tahmooressi with PTSD (Combat), Persistent Depressive Disorder with anxious distress, persistent major depressive episodes, and social anxiety disorder.

The physical and psychological injuries our service men and women endure are serious, but treatable by a dedicated specialist. We feel strongly that the brave service of our combat veterans, like Sgt. Tahmooressi, deserves our commitment to their recovery once they return home. We are also eminently respectful of Mexican sovereignty and laws, and of your service as the chief law enforcement officer of Mexico. Mexico and the U.S. share much more than a 2,000 mile border; we share the goal of greater security and prosperity for the citizens of our two

countries, as well as deep cultural and economic ties. Ours is an important and vibrant bilateral relationship, and we endeavor to do our part with you to continue building on that strength.

In closing, we trust that the attached expert reports are what is needed for you to graciously and expeditiously consider Sgt. Tahmoore's psychological condition as cause for dismissal of charges against him, within your authority under Mexican law. We remain at your disposal, and look forward to meeting with you on other matters of mutual interest to our countries.

Sincerely,

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EDWARD R. ROYCE
Chairman

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MATT SALMON
Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere