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Muy Sr. Mio:

Esta carta es para contestar la suya del 21 de Marzo de 1972, dirigida al Presidente Nixon, referente a su reclamacion contra de los Estados Unidos. La informacion en nuestros archivos indica que su reclamacion tiene lugar como consecuencia del accidente B-52 que ocurrio el 17 de Enero de 1966 cerca de Palomares, Espana. Nuestros documentos indican que su reclamacion fue presentada el 24 de Enero de 1966 por la cuantia de \$20,016.88 y que usted esta representado por sus abogados. Su reclamacion fué investigada por la Comision de Reclamaciones de las Fuerzas Aereas de los Estados Unidos, la que le ofrecio una cantidad de \$484.66, de la cual la suma de \$261.09 ha sido pagado. No obstante, usted se ha negado a llevar a cabo el acuerdo de liquidacion aceptando la cantidad total aprobada para liquidar su reclamacion.

Tengo que informarle que el 18 de Enero de 1968, su abogado vino a la Comision de Reclamaciones por Danos y en esta fecha se acordó que sus abogados proveerian mas pruebas definitivas para poder pedir una cantidad mayor. No obstante la Comision no ha recibido ninguna prueba nueva y en Agosto de 1971 se le avisó que la Comision no recibio los acuerdos firmados a pesar de un lapso de tiempo de cinco anos desde que la reclamacion fué presentada. En esta fecha se le mando nuevo acuerdos y se le informo que de no existir pruebas nuevas o devolvernos los acuerdos firmados la reclamacion seria considerada como abandonada.

Si usted desea aceptar ahora la cantidad ofrecida por la liquidacion de su reclamacion, o si a menos que usted tenga mas pruebas para fundamentar la cantidad reclamada, debera enviarnos los acuerdos de liquidacion o las pruebas a la Comision de Reclamaciones por Danos de las Fuerzas Aereas para su consideracion. En ausencia de nuevas pruebas una cantidad mayor se considera injustificada.

Atentamente,

s/THOMAS P. KEENAN, JR., Lt Col, USAF  
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Mr. Francisco Flores Serrano  
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Dear Mr. Serrano

This is in response to your letter of March 21, 1972 to President Nixon regarding your claim against the United States. Our files indicate that your claim arose as the result of an unfortunate incident involving an Air Force B-52 on January 17, 1966 near Palomares, Spain. Our records show that your claim was presented January 24, 1966 in the amount of \$20,016.68 and that you are represented by attorneys. Your claim was processed by an Air Force Claims Commission which has offered an award of \$484.66, of which the sum of \$261.09 has been paid. However, you have refused to execute the settlement agreement accepting the full amount awarded in settlement of your claim.

You are advised that on January 18, 1968, your attorney met with the Air Force Claims Commission and at that time it was agreed that your attorneys would provide additional definitive evidence to support a larger award. However, no additional evidence was received and in August 1971 you were advised that signed settlement agreements had not been received from you despite a lapse of five years since the date the claim was presented. At that time you were furnished new settlement agreements and were informed that unless new evidence was received or the executed settlement agreements returned that it would be necessary to consider the claim abandoned.

If you now wish to accept the amount offered in the settlement of your claim or if you have new evidence supporting the amount claimed, you should forward either the releases or the evidence to the Air Force Claims Commission for consideration. In the absence of such new evidence a larger award is not warranted.

Sincerely

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Chief, Claims Division  
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