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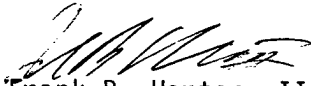
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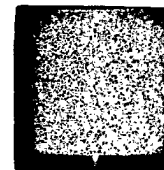
I wholeheartedly endorse the action conveyed in the attached letter from John Bird, National Intelligence Officer for Warning. The NIO for Warning manages a small staff that serves as the focal point for coordinating warning activities of the Intelligence Community. People on John's staff must be highly trained, self-motivated, and ready to respond to contingency requirements, often on very short notice.

[redacted] is one whom John has come to rely on regularly for the support necessary to respond to intelligence requirements from senior officials of the U.S. Government. We continue to require the services of [redacted]; his extension would be enthusiastically welcomed.


Frank B. Horton, III
Major General, USAF
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Denver, Colorado 80280

RE: Request for Extension of [redacted]

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Dear Sir,

I strongly request that the Air Reserve Personnel Center (ARPC) approve [redacted] extension in the RRPS program in which he has performed his active duty with the National Warning Staff, my primary staff element. By working with the staff, [redacted] has contributed directly to the performance of my primary mission of providing intelligence warning to the highest levels of our government. He has provided sound advice on the workings of the Department of Defense's intelligence warning systems. At the same time he has become closely familiar with how the defense systems relate to and work with those of other national-level agencies. [redacted] knows how to activate and use the national warning system itself. Additionally, he has participated fully in all aspects of warning, including practical "hands-on" analysis of on-going crises, development of new warning doctrine, and application of new techniques in threat analysis. In fact, he has helped my staff develop new techniques for strategic threat analysis and pioneered in their application to some of the most difficult warning problems with which my office must contend.

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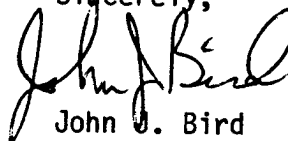
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I consider him a uniquely qualified reserve officer and a highly valuable resource, whose contribution to national warning in the routine course of this training program has been enormous. More importantly, his training with the National Warning Staff affords me an augmentation capability in the event of crisis or other condition of stress that no other officer is capable of providing. From time to time, I have requested [redacted] presence for active duty during such conditions. He has been able to respond immediately and smoothly, primarily because of this training. His expert knowledge of and experience in dealing with the national warning system makes him an invaluable asset for the Air Force and a credit to his service.

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Sincerely,



John V. Bird

National Intelligence Officer for Warning