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Mr. Erik Kirzinger  
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Dear Mr. Kirzinger:

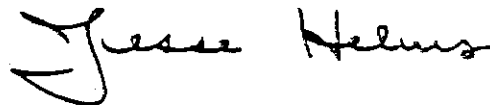
I have recently contacted the U.S. Department of State and the U.S. Department of Defense regarding your uncle Mr. Norman A. Schwartz.

I have written to Ambassador Li Zhaoxing requesting his assistance locating and returning any remains or effects of Mr. Schwartz and his crewmate Mr. Robert C. Snoddy. I have also written U.S. Ambassador James Sasser regarding this matter. Please find enclosed a copy of both of these letters.

Later this month, Undersecretary of Defense Walter B. Slocombe will be traveling to China to meet with officials of the People's Liberation Army (PLA). Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense Robert Jones will meet with PLA and Foreign Ministry authorities in November 1998 regarding POW/MIA issues. I have requested that the Schwartz case specifically be raised explicitly in these discussions. A copy of my letter to Ambassador Li has been provided to the Defense Department for these trips.

I am hopeful that these efforts will meet with success and the remains of Messrs. Schwartz and Snoddy will be returned to their families. Kindest regards.

Sincerely,



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