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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Loss of Air America VTB N3674G

1. Attached is a Memorandum for the Record from Mr. Mark Peterson relating to the loss of VTB N3674G. As background, Senator Chiles' office inquired of Air America as to the details of the loss of this aircraft on behalf of the pilot's wife. Air America referred Senator Chiles to Transavia International since this corporation was ferrying the aircraft at the time it was lost. According to Mr. Peterson's memo, Senator Chiles' office is seeking the maintenance records and log books of the aircraft and obviously these documents are in Air America's possession.

2. I furnished a copy of Mr. Peterson's memo to OGC and OLC. I have asked that Air America get together the maintenance records and log books for the three aircraft involved and have it available here in Washington. I have some question, however, as to whether it should be furnished to the Senator. If the widow intends to file suit against Air America alleging improper maintenance, etc., Air America is insured and the defense would be handled by the insurance company. Under their insurance Air America is precluded from doing anything which would tend to impair the insurance company's defense of any suit, and the passage of this information to the Senator might fall into that category.

3. I have asked [redacted] to give consideration as to whether the material should be passed to the Senator's office. I have also sought legal advice from Air America attorneys on this matter.

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Air Advisor/DDA

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