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April 17, 2007

Mary Tillman


Dear Mrs. Tillman:

The Committee invites you to testify at a hearing entitled "Misleading Information on the Battlefield" on **Tuesday, April 24, 2007, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 2154, Rayburn House Office Building**. During the hearing, the Committee will examine inaccurate battlefield accounts disseminated to the American public in the course of the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

The Committee asks that you be prepared to answer questions regarding the death of your son, Corporal Patrick Tillman, near Manah, Afghanistan on April 22, 2004. The Committee requests that you be prepared to discuss your family's communications with Army officials after your son's death, including the various accounts officials provided to you concerning the circumstances surrounding the incident. Finally, the Committee requests that you be prepared to comment on the previous investigations that have been conducted and whether you believe they were sufficient or lacking in key respects.

The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee in the House of Representatives and has broad oversight jurisdiction as set forth in House Rule X. Information for witnesses appearing before the Committee is contained in the enclosed Witness Information Sheet.

If you have any questions, please contact David Rapallo or John Williams of the Committee staff at (202) 225-5420. We look forward to your testimony.

Sincerely,



Henry A. Waxman
Chairman

Enclosure

cc: Tom Davis
Ranking Minority Member

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Witness Information Sheet

The following is a summary of some of the pertinent rules and procedures applicable to witnesses testifying before the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:

- Witnesses should provide 100 copies of their written testimony to Earley Green, Chief Clerk, 2157 Rayburn House Office Building, no later than 10:00 a.m. two business days prior to the hearing. Witnesses should also provide their statement by this date in electronic format, either as a CD or via email to earley.green@mail.house.gov.
- At the hearing, each witness will be asked to summarize his or her written testimony in five minutes or less in order to maximize the time available for discussion and questions.
- House Rule XI clause 2(g)(4) requires that witnesses appearing in a nongovernmental capacity submit to the Committee in advance of the hearing “a curriculum vitae and a disclosure of the amount and source (by agency and program) of each Federal grant (or subgrant thereof) received during the current fiscal year or either of the two previous fiscal years by the witness or by an entity represented by the witness.”
- The Committee does not provide financial reimbursement for witness travel or accommodations. Witnesses with extenuating circumstances, however, may submit a written request for such reimbursements to Robin Butler, Financial Administrator, 2157 Rayburn House Office Building, at least one week prior to the hearing. Reimbursements will not be made without prior approval.
- Witnesses with disabilities should contact Committee staff to arrange any necessary accommodations.
- The Committee on Oversight and Government Reform is the principal oversight committee in the U.S. House of Representatives. In addition, the Committee has legislative jurisdiction over a number of subjects affecting the management of government operations and activities. The specific jurisdiction of the Committee is set forth in House Rule X clauses 1(m), 2, 3(i), and 4(c).
- The Committee rules governing this hearing are online at www.oversight.house.gov/rules/.

For inquiries regarding these rules and procedures, please contact the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform at (202) 225-5051.