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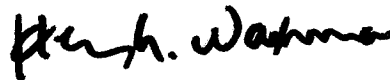
Dear Mr. Walker:

I am writing to request that the Government Accountability Office's (GAO) Forensic Audits and Special Investigations Unit continue its investigation into the Air Force's management of the construction of the Kaiserslautern Military Community Center, also known as the K-Town Mall, at Ramstein Air Force Base in Germany.

As you know, the Committee held a hearing on June 28, 2007, on the status of the K-Town Mall project. During that hearing, GAO presented its preliminary findings on why the project was experiencing scheduling delays, cost overruns, and performance problems. Although the project was originally supposed to be completed in the summer of 2006, Air Force officials could not provide an estimate to the Committee on when the project would be complete.

Given the cost and size of this project, as well as its importance to thousands of U.S. military and civilian personnel serving overseas, the Committee asks that you continue this investigation and be prepared to report to the Committee on the status of the project early next year. If you have any further questions about this request, please contact John Williams or Margaret Daum of the Committee staff at (202) 225-5420.

Sincerely,



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cc: Tom Davis
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