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December 10, 1993

The Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV
Chairman
The Honorable Frank H. Murkowski
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on Veterans' Affairs
United States Senate

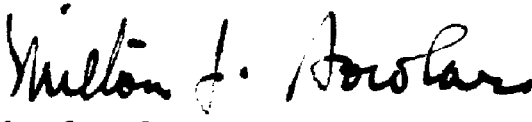
The Honorable G.V. (Sonny) Montgomery
Chairman
The Honorable Bob Stump
Ranking Minority Member
Committee on Veterans' Affairs
House of Representatives

On October 28, 1993, the President signed Public Law 103-124, which included fiscal year 1994 appropriations for the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). As you know, 38 U.S.C. 8110(a)(4) requires that we report on several actions the Director of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) is required to take in response to each law making appropriations to VA. Specifically, he must

- authorize VA to employ not less than the number of employees for which funds were appropriated in its medical care, medical and prosthetic research, and medical administration and miscellaneous operating expenses accounts;
- provide VA with funds appropriated for these employees; and
- certify these actions to the Comptroller General and the Senate and House Committees on Veterans' Affairs not later than 30 days after the President signed the appropriation law.

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The OMB Director provided a written certification on November 10, 1993, that addressed the above appropriation act. On the basis of discussions with VA and OMB officials and a review of the documentation, we concluded that the director has complied with all three requirements of section 8110(a)(4).

for 
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Comptroller General
of the United States