



SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE  
WASHINGTON

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The Honorable Joseph Courtney  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Dear Congressman Courtney:

Thank you for your February 8, 2018, letter regarding the VC-25A aircraft replacement chillers contract award and the Air Force's contracting process.

The Air Force, working with the White House Military Office, recently reviewed the investment for the VC-25A chiller replacement and jointly decided to terminate the effort. While the VC-25A chiller replacement requirement still exists, the progress on the VC-25B program weighed against the cost of the chiller effort makes termination the most prudent fiscal sense for the government. If the VC-25B program is delayed, the Air Force and White House Military Office will need to relook at this effort. While not optimal, mitigation options exist to ensure food security until new aircraft are delivered. The Air Force has notified Boeing of the government's intention to cancel the subject contract.

Thank you for your continued support of the Air Force and for our nation's defense.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Heather Wilson", is positioned above the printed name.

Heather Wilson