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John M. McHugh
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

As part of the Subcommittee's ongoing oversight of Army contracts, I am writing to request information and documents regarding the Army Recruiting Assistance Programs.

Between 2005 and 2008, the U.S. Army, U.S. Army Reserves and National Guard Bureau entered into contracts with Document and Packaging Inc. (Docupak) for the administration of Army Recruiting Assistance Programs (A-RAP), a recruitment program that aimed to increase Army, Army Reserve and National Guard participation through monetary incentives.[1] On February 9, 2012 you discontinued the program due to reports indicating that up to $92 million may have been distributed fraudulently to Reserve and Guard recruiters.[2]

I understand that you ordered an inquiry into fraud in A-RAP on the same day that the programs were cancelled. The Subcommittee has learned that this inquiry will cover topics including the conduct of military personnel directly involved in the alleged fraud, Docupak's oversight of A-RAP, and the Army's oversight of the contract and program.[3]

I request that the Army provide the investigation report regarding A-RAP to the Subcommittee as soon as possible If the report has not yet been completed, I request that you provide a scheduled date for the report's completion and release by **no later than Wednesday, September 25, 2013**. I also request that you provide a briefing for the Subcommittee following the completion of the report. This briefing should include information regarding Docupak's

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[1] U.S. Department of Justice, Former Army National Guard Soldier Sentences to 57 Months in Prison for Lead Role in Fraudulent Military Recruiting Referral Bonus Scheme (June 7, 2013) (online at www.justice.gov/opa).

[2] The Washington Post, Fraud investigation targets recruiting programs for Army National Guard, Reserve (March 13, 2012) (online at www.washingtonpost.com).

[3] U.S. Army Office of the Chief Legislative Liaison, *Telephone Briefing for Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight Staff* (June 28, 2013).

other contracts with the Department of Defense and whether the Army considered suspending or debarring Docupak from future contracts.

I appreciate your assistance. Please contact Jackson Eaton with the Subcommittee at (202) 224-6579 with any questions. Please send any official correspondence relating to this request to Kelsey_Stroud@hsgac.senate.gov.

Sincerely,

Claire McCaskill
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