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March 5, 2003

The Honorable Duncan Hunter  
Chairman, Committee on Armed Services  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Under the authority contained in 10 USC 2805, the Navy plans to provide Unspecified Minor MILCON funding for a Martial Arts Center of Excellence, Marine Corps Base, Quantico, Virginia, as described in the enclosure, subject to expiration of the Congressional notification period.

Identical letters have been sent to the Senate Armed Services and the House and Senate Appropriations Committees.

Sincerely,

  
Wayne Army  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
(Installation & Facilities)

Enclosure

Copy to:  
The Honorable Ike Skelton

Notification  
of the  
Intention to Proceed with  
Unspecified Minor MILCON Projects

The Department of the Navy proposes to authorize the obligation of funds for the following Unspecified Minor MILCON project:

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<u>State/Installation</u>	<u>(\$000)</u>	<u>Requirement and Description</u>
Virginia Marine Corps Base Quantico (P-529)	1,350	Martial Arts Center of Excellence (MACE). The Marine Corps Base, Quantico has a new mission in providing a centralized and standardized curriculum for martial arts training. This facility will serve as program headquarters for the Marine Corps Martial Arts Program (MCMAP). This project will create an environment for propagating program goals, testing weapons and equipment, and training martial arts instructors. Current facilities cannot be used for this new mission due to lack of availability and space constraints (columns / low ceilings). Without this facility, the development of the MCMAP as envisioned and directed by the Commandant of the Marine Corps will be impacted.