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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On behalf of the Secretary of Defense, I have approved the retirement of Lieutenant General James B. Peake, United States Army, and his advancement to the grade of lieutenant general on the retired list. I certify that Lieutenant General Peake has served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade. Lieutenant General Peake, who is 59 years of age, currently serves as the Commanding General, United States Army Medical Command/The Surgeon General, United States Army. I have also notified the President of the United States and the President of the Senate of this action.

Sincerely,

David S. C. Chu

cc:

- The Honorable Duncan Hunter
Chairman, House Armed Services Committee
- The Honorable Ike Skelton
Ranking Member, House Armed Services Committee

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