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General Dwight D. Eisenhower
Box 787
Indio, California

Dear General Eisenhower:

Five years ago today you addressed the American people on radio and television for the last time as President. In this memorable speech, you devoted a significant portion to an eloquent discussion of the existence and ramifications of what you called the military-industrial complex.

The American Veterans Committee wishes to congratulate you again on bringing this vital subject to the attention of the American people. Your life of service to the nation, as both a military and a civilian leader, gives you a unique background and authority in this field.

This veterans' organization, founded during World War II, is contemplating a long-range study of some of the implications of the military-industrial complex. We would be very grateful indeed to you for your views on this subject today, as all of us are concerned with maintaining this nation as an effective force in the world-wide struggle between freedom and tyranny - Communist and otherwise.

With every best wish,

Sincerely,

Stanley G. Karson
Chairman, Special Committee on
Military-Industrial Complex

To achieve a more democratic and prosperous America and a more stable World

