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OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

THE DIRECTOR

August 8, 2014

The Honorable John A. Boehner
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to section 255(f) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, as amended, notification is hereby provided of the President's intent to exempt all military personnel accounts, including Coast Guard personnel accounts, from any discretionary cap sequester in FY 2015, if a sequester is necessary. This exemption does not apply to the Joint Committee sequestration already ordered for FY 2015. This is considered to be in the national interest to safeguard the resources necessary to compensate the men and women serving to defend our Nation and to maintain the force levels required for national security. It is recognized that this action would trigger a higher reduction in non-exempt accounts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Shaun Donovan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Shaun Donovan
Director

Identical Letter Sent to The Honorable Joseph R. Biden, Jr.