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Good day,

We are writing to you today in reference to recent concerning online reports of possible attacks on American aviation. As you are aware currently hundreds of Federal Air Marshals (FAMs) are deployed to the southern border to preform humanitarian work to include warming up sandwiches for migrants. Additionally, we have been informed that these deployments are indefinite, in other words no end in sight for sending hundreds of FAMs to the southern border.

We recently became aware that the terrorist group Al-Qaeda has published some online reports that suggest they are planning to attack the homeland possibly using U.S. aircraft. We have made our position clear, deploying FAMs to the southern border to perform humanitarian work is reckless and putting or Nation and the people we serve at extreme risk. What's even more confounding is the fact Mr. Mayorkas recently testified before Congress under oath that the border was secure, and the White House has yet to declare the situation at the border to be an emergency.

We have also been made aware that you received a letter from a group of high-level FAM managers that called for Mr. Pekoske and Mr. Stevenson to resign for putting our nation at risk in part due to these border deployments and for deliberately and methodically reducing the amount of FAMs in the agency. Director Stevenson and Administrator Pekoske have lost not only the confidence of their rank-and-file FAM workforce but it appears Mr. Stevenson has lost the confidence of his inner circle as well.

We are once again requesting you immediately stop these dangerous and unnecessary deployments and let our FAMs do what the American taxpayers pay them to do, protect and defend our transportation system. We have to ask how can you justify sending FAMs to the



border in huge numbers, when the border is in your words secure, and there is no emergency? Yet we have major security incidents happening right now affecting our aviation security.

Respectfully,

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