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**The Honorable James A. Baker, III**  
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

We are writing to strongly recommend that any letters of offer and acceptance (LOAs) for military assistance signed by Peru and the United States be indefinitely postponed.

As you are aware, military assistance to Peru was the subject of great congressional concern last fall. The recent suspension of constitutional democracy by President Alberto Fujimori, in which the military was a primary participant, underscores those concerns. We therefore strongly support the President's decision to suspend new government-to-government assistance to Peru until constitutional government is resumed.

However, we have been informed that this decision has not been extended to LOAs which were already in progress for fiscal year 1991 funds. We would find it unfortunate if military assistance deliveries to Peru from prior year funds were to continue to go forward at this time and under these circumstances.

We are aware of the legal complexities which would result from a cancellation of foreign military financing (FMF) cases. However, those legal and financial complexities would not ensue were delivery of military articles indefinitely postponed. We therefore urge in the strongest possible terms that any LOAs be postponed until full constitutional democracy has been restored in Peru. We further urge that no licenses be granted pursuant to section 38 of the Arms Export Control Act.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

With best wishes, we are

Sincerely yours,

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