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The Honorable F. James Sensenbrenner, Jr.
Chairman, Committee on the Judiciary
House of Representatives

Subject: *Federally Chartered Corporation: Review of the Financial Statement Audit Reports for the Air Force Sergeants Association for Fiscal Years 2000-2002*

Dear Mr. Chairman:

As requested, we reviewed the audit reports covering the financial statements of the Air Force Sergeants Association, a federally chartered corporation, for the fiscal years ended April 30, 2002, 2001, and 2000. The purposes of the association include helping to maintain a highly dedicated and professional corps of enlisted personnel and supporting fair and equitable legislation and Department of the Air Force policies.

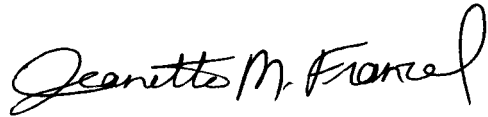
Federally chartered corporations are required under 36 U.S.C. 10101 to

- present the corporation's assets and liabilities and reasonable detail on the corporation's income and expenses in annual financial statements,
- obtain an annual financial audit by an independent public accountant, and
- submit the auditors' report and the corporation's financial statements to the Congress.

The objective of our review was to determine whether the audit reports complied with the financial reporting requirements of the law. In carrying out our work, we reviewed the corporation's financial statements and the accompanying notes, performed certain analytical procedures related to information presented in the financial statements, and reviewed the auditors' reports. We also held limited discussions with the association's auditors regarding potential enhancements that could be made to the association's financial reporting. However, we did not review the auditors' working papers, and we are not rendering an audit opinion. Our review disclosed no reportable instances of noncompliance with the financial reporting requirements of the law.

The audit reports included the auditors' opinions that the financial statements of the corporation were presented fairly in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. We are returning the audit reports you sent with your letter.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jeanette M. Franzel". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "J".

Jeanette M. Franzel
Director
Financial Management and Assurance

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