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The Honorable Mike Turner
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Turner:

Thank you for your January 8, 2014, letter to Secretary James regarding the status of a Boeing VC-137C aircraft, tail number 62-6000, known as Special Air Mission (SAM) 26000 or Air Force One.

On behalf of the Secretary of the Air Force, we want to reassure you that the United States Air Force plans to permanently house SAM 26000 at the National Museum of the United States Air Force. The Air Force is not considering the transfer of this aircraft to the Lyndon B. Johnson Presidential Library and Museum or to any other entity. The Air Force's decades-long mission as the executive agent for presidential fixed-wing airlift is a great historical narrative and one that we are proud to present to the public. SAM 26000 is a key artifact to tell this important Air Force story.

On behalf of the Secretary of the Air Force, thank you for your continued contributions to our Nation's defense and to the United States Air Force.

Very Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Thomas W. Bergeson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "T" and "B".

THOMAS W. BERGESON
Major General, USAF
Director, Legislative Liaison