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Dear Senator Tsongas:

The President asked me to acknowledge his receipt of your letter of July 8, which was also signed by many of your colleagues, urging him to reject any request by Saudi Arabia to purchase supplemental equipment for the F-15 aircraft previously purchased. The President has been apprised of your view that any such sale would be inconsistent with assurances made at the time the sale of these aircraft was under consideration by the Congress.

The President appreciates your bringing your concerns to his attention. He has asked me to share your letter with several of his advisers, so that they might be aware of your comments. A further response should be forthcoming.

Sincerely,



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for Congressional Liaison

The Honorable Paul E. Tsongas  
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