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EMAIL RECEIPT REQUESTED

Sir,

I have asked your assistant to print off this email and the three attachments and provide them to you in hard copy. It is my hope that you will give them to the Secretary for reading in his car on the way home tonight.

As my note on the bedbug letter clearly states, General Flynn knows nothing of this personal initiative of mine, and I hope that your treatment of my email will be direct to the Secretary without informing others. As the bedbug letter makes clear, my communication to him -- with a suspense date since General Flynn departs on 7 August -- was not seen by the Secrectary, was probably intercepted by someone from the intelligence shop, and routed to the dismissive pile.

I am a Reagan Republican, vetted by Jose Martinez of Presidential Personnel back in the day, and I am opposed to those who seek to impeach the incumbent President (one third of Americans according to a poll I would myself put it at closer to a quarter. I want to see the last two and a half years go well for the Secretary and the military -- I am the architect of the 450-ship Navy that CNO now realizes he needs, I strongly support the expeditionary air-mobile Army that CSA has called for, and I consider the USAF our biggest problem, along with USD(A) not knowing how to contract responsibly.

I am a former spy, top of my class, five times the regional recruiting record in Latin America, selected for Mid Career Course -- and the senior civilian who created the Marine Corps Intelligence Activity and published Planning and Programming Factors for Expeditionary Operations in the Third World, the ONLY intelligence study ever to get to strategic generalizations vital to joint acquisition. I have published nine books, two with Forewords  by past Chairs of the SSCI and two with Forewords by Congressman Rob Simmons (R-CT-02) and as God is my witness, I believe that the best service you and I can render to the Secretary right this minute is to see that he puts eyes on the attached.

Too many of us forget that we swear an Oath to defend and protect against all enemies, domestic and foreign. I believe the Secretary -- and the President -- have been ham-strung by rotten intelligence. Flynn and I know how to fix it, and I believe the Secretary should consider meeting with us one evening at Fort McNair, at which point we will have done our duty by him.

I am, by the by, the #1 Amazon reviewer for non-fiction, reading in 98 categories, and gave his book *America: Our Next Chapter*, a rave review when it was first published.

Very respectfully, Robert David Steele [Personal Web Page with cvs etc.](http://tinyurl.com/Steele2012)