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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: THE HONORABLE WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT TO APPROVE THE SALE OF
F-16 AIRCRAFT TO TAIWAN

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August 18, 1992

The Honorable George Bush
President of the United States
White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I was very happy to hear that you are reconsidering the sale of F-16 aircraft to Taiwan. Unlike other programs, the F-16 pays for itself with foreign dollars by generating both direct and indirect U.S. tax revenues. The sale of 160 F-16's to Taiwan not only means hundreds of jobs for Marylanders, but also will provide (over 20 years) the United States with \$11 billion in positive trade, 340,000 man-years of employment and nearly \$3 billion in tax revenue. Additionally, for every F-16 FMS sale, \$1 million in defense research and development is recouped.

The shrinking defense budget has had a severe impact on Maryland and the nation's economy. The rapid decline in defense spending is causing overcapacity problems in Maryland, as well as other states, and many contractors may not survive. Selling F-16's to Taiwan means jobs for Americans and security for a friendly nation. Denial of the F-16 sale will result in Taiwan acquiring French Mirage Fighters at the expense of the American economy.

Now is the time to confront the American jobs issue. I heartily endorse the F-16 sale to Taiwan, and hope your decision will be favorable.

Sincerely,

Don Schaefer
Governor