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Rear Admiral Paul D. Pearigen, U.S.N.
Commanding Officer, Navy Medicine West
4170 Norman Scott Road, Ste. 5
San Diego, CA 92136-5521

SUBJECT: Formal Complaint – U.S. Naval Hospital, Okinawa, Japan, dated 5 April 2018

Ref: (a) 10 U.S. Code § 1034, *Military Whistleblower Protection Act*;
(b) DoD Directive [DoDD] 7050.06, *Military Whistleblower Protection* (2015).

Dear Admiral Pearigen:

I am contacting you again for two reasons. First, to obtain a status report on the investigation into the Military Religious Freedom Foundation's [MRFF] 5 April 2018 Formal Complaint about the biblical display and Christian proselytization at the U.S. Naval Hospital Okinawa on an ostensible POW/MIA display in the Galley. MRFF's clients report that the Bible and placard remain in place as of this date.

Second, on behalf of MRFF and it's U.S. military and DoD civilian clients at the Marine Corps Base [MCB] Camp Butler, Okinawa, Japan area, MRFF respectfully requests that you utilize your rank and position to emphasize to all concerned that retaliation or any form of reprisal against any of MRFF's clients in this matter, is illegal and will not be tolerated. There is an active "witch hunt" going on at the hospital and in the MCB Camp Butler area in an attempt to ascertain who the "whistleblowers" are. As such, many of MRFF's clients in this matter are in dire fear for their careers and their (and their families) personal safety and well-being.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Donald G. Rehkopf, Jr.

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