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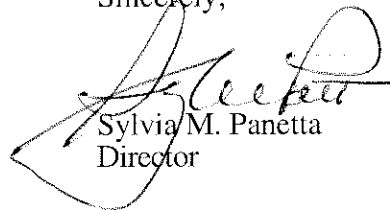
Dear Mr. Forte:

We received the large envelopes delivered Monday, December 27 by Eileen Forte. As I understand, you ask that we send these materials to the Panetta Institute's board of directors. The Panetta Institute, as you may know, is a non-profit organization that serves as a bipartisan study center for the advancement of public policy. Because these packages are of considerable weight, we cannot justify the expense of mailing such non-Institute sponsored or originated materials. We hope that you understand and respect our need for this policy.

Please make arrangements to have the packages picked up within ten days of receipt of this letter. If they have not been removed from the Panetta Institute by that time, we will dispose of these materials.

Thank you for your timely attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Sylvia M. Panetta
Director

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