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Washington, D.C. 20530

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The Honorable Duncan Hunter
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Attn: Vicki Middleton

Dear Congressman Hunter:

This responds to your April 19, 2007, letter to the Attorney General regarding your request for the Department of Justice to review the investigation of Colonel James Sabow's death.

We extend our condolences to the Sabow family. However, the investigation of his death appears to be a state matter and not within the jurisdiction of the Department of Justice. Dr. David Sabow may wish to direct his inquiry to the Attorney General's Office for the State of California and other state law enforcement authorities for further assistance.

We hope this is helpful in responding to your constituent. Please do not hesitate to contact the Department of Justice if we can be of assistance in other matters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard A. Hertling".

Richard A. Hertling
Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General