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Dear Armand:

I am replying on behalf of the President to your recent letters concerning your aircraft manufacturing venture with Israel and the Soviet Union and your oil drilling venture off the coast of Israel. We appreciate knowing of these developments. Clearly, current events in the Persian Gulf reinforce the need for increased oil exploration and production around the world. So good luck with your oil drilling.

I was quite interested to read about your aircraft project. It is my understanding that the Departments of State and Transportation have been in contact with Israeli and Soviet authorities on the issue of airworthiness certification.

Again, many thanks for keeping us informed of your activities.

Sincerely,



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