

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 10, 2014

Alonzo Lunsford, SSGT (ret.)
United States Army
C/O Reed D. Rubinstein, Dinsmore & Shohl LLP

Dear SSGT (ret.) Lunsford,

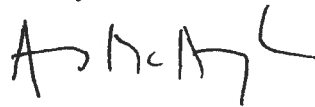
Thank you for your letter of April 8, 2014, and for your service to our country.

As the President and the First Lady travelled to Fort Hood yesterday to honor the victims of this most recent tragedy, their thoughts and prayers were also with the victims and survivors of the November 5, 2009, shooting at Fort Hood. We will never forget what was one of the most devastating shootings ever committed on an American military base. As the President said, this new tragedy tears at wounds still raw from five years ago.

After receiving your letter yesterday, and consulting with the White House Counsel's office, we forwarded your letter to the Departments of Justice and Defense, who are leading the government's efforts to ensure the victims of the 2009 shooting receive the justice and benefits they deserve. Unfortunately, we were unable to meet your specific request for a meeting with the President yesterday.

Thank you again for your service to our great Nation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. McDonough". The signature is stylized and cursive.

Denis McDonough
White House Chief of Staff

VIA E-MAIL (ywang@who.eop.gov)

April 8, 2014

Denis McDonough
Chief of Staff
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20500

Re: POTUS Meeting With Fort Hood Terror Attack Survivors

Dear Mr. McDonough:

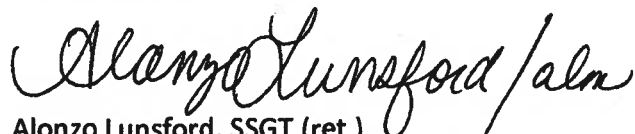
I write on my behalf, and on behalf of other survivors of the November 5, 2009, Fort Hood terror attack, to request a brief meeting with the President while he is in Fort Hood this Wednesday.

As you may know, the President and high-ranking members of the military promised me, my family and the other Fort Hood terror attack survivors that the federal government would "make them whole." After more than four and one-half years, however, the government has yet to make good on this promise. Instead, it has denied us the respect and assistance given to the terror victims of 9/11 and the Boston Bombing. This disparate treatment is particularly hard to understand given that investigations by Congress and the Webster Commission have demonstrated that the Fort Hood attack occurred only because the Department of Defense and the FBI intentionally disregarded, over a period of years, the clear, obvious and predictable threat posed by a self-professed jihadist and al-Qaida sympathizer.

We believe that if the President could hear, first-hand, our plight and our mistreatment at the hands of his bureaucracy, that he would take the steps needed to set things right. Therefore, we ask for ten minutes of his time.

Please have someone contact my attorneys Neal Sher (nealsher@gmail.com) and Reed Rubinstein (reed.rubinstein@dinsmore.com) to make the necessary arrangements.

Very truly yours,



Alonzo Lunsford, SSGT (ret.)
United States Army

AL:RDR:alm