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Colonel Clayton N. Gompf
Department of the Army
Office of Secretary of the Army
Washington, D. C.

Dear Clay:

Congratulations on your promotion to full Colonel!

Barb and I were delighted when we saw the picture in the Journal of the Secretary of the Army pinning one of the eagles on your shoulder. We can't think of a more deserving individual and are looking forward to the times when we might serve together again.

Things here continue to move forward at a fast, but fascinating, tempo. I'm personally convinced we have a worthwhile concept that will pay big dividends to the Army in the years ahead. Perhaps not with the same mixture of aircraft and firepower, but something along the current lines. The problem, as you well know, will be to sell the idea on its true fundamental values -- which is what we have dedicated ourselves to accomplish.

If you have the opportunity, come and see us and bring the family.

Barb joins me in sending you, Flo and family our very best wishes for continued success and happiness.

With warmest regards.

Sincerely,

RICHARD T. KNOWLES
Colonel, Artillery
Assistant Division Commander