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Admiral Elmo R. Zumwalt, Jr., USN (Ret.)  
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Dear Admiral Zumwalt,

Thank you for your most kind note of 29 January. To avoid any ethical conflicts over using oral history material that I generated during the course of my job, I am contributing my share of the royalties for The Golden Thirteen to the oral history program. Thus this book was a true labor of love, and I have indeed developed great admiration and affection for the men I interviewed. Given those circumstances, your favorable response is particularly valuable. My reward is in the form of psychic income rather than monetary.

I hope that you will be able to move forward rapidly on the project with Admiral Chon. Within the past few weeks, I have heard from two different companies that are producing TV documentaries on the brown-water navy in Vietnam. It is a subject on which there is a great deal of interest, which bodes well for your book. | d

Sincerely yours,

Paul Stillwell  
Director, History Division