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Chief Master Sergeant Paul T. Hacker USAF P.O. Box 9025 APO New York 09012

Dear Sergeant Hacker:

We refer to your letter of September 27, 1979, with enclosures, requesting reconsideration of decision, B-185576, July 20, 1976, which disallowed your claim for travel expenses. We find no basis for reconsideration of the previous decision.

We are always willing to further consider denied claims upon receipt of naw evidence. However, correspondence which contains no such evidence and merely repeats previous statements, allegations or which merely questions a previous rilling, does not furnish the basis for further consideration of a claim. As your submission merely alleges that contrary to the findings set out on pages 4 and 5 of the decision, you did inform Air Force personnel of your condition and emended travel orders were not issued "out of pure ignorance," you have not submitted new evidence upon which reconsideration can be based. You did emiliae 2 documents from Navy personnel documenting your illness and resulting condition. However, the substance of the information in those documents was available and considered at the time the July 20, 1976 decision was prepared. Thus, these documents provide no new evidence. The fact remains that your travel was performed by a circuitous route to enable you to take leave, and the Air Force did not issue you orders authorizing your air travel via Oakland rather than Seattle-Tacoma.

Accordingly, we find no basis for reconsideration of the July 20, 1976 decision which disallowed your claim.

Sincerely yours

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