Honorable Tom Connally,
United States Senate.

Dear Senator Connally:

With reference to the attached telegram concerning a leave of absence for Captain Robert E. Paul, in order that he may devote some time to helping Mr. George E. Miers on his ranch, there are but two courses to follow, either of which might be effective.

The leave of absence will have to be requested by Captain Paul himself, and approval or disapproval will depend on the military situation as it affects the unit of which the Captain is a member. This will be determined by his military superiors in the field.

The other course is action under paragraph 3 of the A.G.O., W.D., letter of 12 January 1944, published to the Army, which permits any officer over thirty-eight years of age to request relief from active duty for any reason consistent with current War Department policies, provided his retention is not essential to the war effort.

Sincerely yours,

H. H. Pfeil,
Col., A.G.D., U.S. Army,
Liaison Officer.

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