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Honorable Ernest O. Thompson  
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Dear Mr. Thompson:

Mr. Carter called me today and said that you have been kind enough to agree to address the national convention of the Air Reserve Association at the final meeting of the three day session which will be held in Fort Worth on September 28, 29 and 30, and I am writing this for the purpose of expressing our great pleasure at your acceptance of the invitation. We have been very hopeful that you would be able to do so because we know that your address will be a great contribution to the success of that particular meeting and of the convention as a whole.

We had hoped to have an attendance of over a thousand at the convention, but the situation resulting from the war in Korea will probably result in a much smaller attendance. The Air Force has made military transportation available to all delegates at prior conventions and we understand that they intend to do so this time, but the extent to which military aircraft will be available is presently in some doubt. However, we do hope to have a large audience at the final meeting because it will be open to the public. The meeting will be held in Will Rogers Auditorium and will be preceded by an informal dinner in one of the exhibit buildings in the vicinity of the auditorium. We hope that you will be able to attend the dinner and we will of course arrange to meet you on your arrival in Fort Worth if you will advise us later as to your plans.

Mr. Carter asked me to convey to you his invitation that you be his guest while you are here at either the Fort Worth Club or Hotel Texas, whichever you prefer.

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Within the next day or two I will send you some detailed information in regard to the membership and objectives of the Air Reserve Association, together with a list of the more important speakers who will address the various meetings. We have invited Major General Samuel E. Anderson, the recently appointed Commander of the Eighth Air Force, to make a brief talk at the same meeting which you will address, but his schedule is such that he is not able to give us a definite answer at this time. The question of whether he will be able to do so has no bearing whatsoever on our desire for your address because we want to have you at that time under any circumstance.

Again assuring you of our pleasure at your acceptance, and with best regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

*Brandon Stone*

Brandon Stone  
President

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