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Dear Mr. Carter:

Your very kind invitation to join with you and the aviation writers for dinner at Shady Oaks is indeed appreciated. Unfortunately, I am completely swamped with problems involving the consolidation of the Atlanta Regional Office with the Fort Worth Regional Office. I have some people coming in from Atlanta tonight, and deeply regret I cannot be with you.

I know of nothing more enjoyable than an evening of genuine hospitality with you at Shady Oaks but there is one thing that gives me a great deal of pleasure, and that is the fact that you are out of the hospital and back in the saddle again.

Just as a matter of information - the former seven Continental CAA Regional Offices are being consolidated into four regions. The former Second and Fourth Regions will comprise the new Second Region, with headquarters in Fort Worth. There was some indecision regarding the headquarters location - whether it should be Atlanta or Fort Worth, or a more central location, such as New Orleans. I went to Washington about a week before the announcement of consolidation was made and consider it fortunate that the Administrator, Mr. F. B. Lee, made his decision in favor of Fort Worth. While the consolidation will mean a demotion or let out of some of our good employees, I hope it will all work out for the best, and consider myself fortunate in being able to continue to head up the combined Regions and remain in Fort Worth.

My sincere best wishes for your good health, and my deep appreciation for your many courtesies.

Sincerely yours,

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