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Subject: Request from White House Speechwriter

Sir:

The first call was from Sec'y Rumsfeld's speechwriter, Heddie Henderson.

Just received a call from Mr. John Currin, WH speechwriter. He read a statement that pretty much said that CPL Tillman joined the Army in the aftermath of 9.11 and asked if I could confirm that was his reasons for signing up. I replied that I have never spoken directly to either Ranger and I could not confirm that statement. Kevin is faxing, to Mr. Currin, several news articles I have with me that indicate that CPL Tillman did not reveal his specific reasons for his decision to a close friend and coach. Even his father has not publicly said why Pat or Kevin made their decisions.

Mr. Currin said the information is for the President's speech at the Correspondent's dinner this coming Saturday. It will probably be televised by CSPAN.

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