



May 28, 2009

The Honorable Dave Reichert  
United States House of Representatives  
1730 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative Reichert,

On behalf of DynCorp International, I want thank you for meeting with CIVPOL survivor Christine Kimbrell. Christine's husband, CIVPOL Officer Leon Vincent Kimbrell was killed in Baghdad September 2, 2005, by an Improvised Explosive Device (IED). Vince, a sergeant and 18-year veteran of the Spartanburg Police Department, is the father of two daughters, 15 and 19 years old, who hope to have their father recognized on the National Law Enforcement Memorial Wall.

Drawn from the ranks of police agencies all over the United States, nearly 6,000 American police officers have served in countries like Bosnia, Kosovo, Haiti, Iraq, Afghanistan and Sudan as International Police Officers. Their work is often dangerous and since 1997, twenty-five International Police Officers have made the ultimate sacrifice while serving our nation's interests under the CIVPOL program sponsored by the US Department of State's Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (State/INL). Concerned CIVPOL officers and survivors of fallen CIVPOL officers came to us in January 2007 asking for assistance in establishing an independent community to advocate on behalf of CIVPOL officers' concerns. We listened to their heart-felt concerns and became advocates for the formation of the CIVPOL Alumni Association (CAA) – a non-profit, fraternal group comprised of CIVPOL veterans - local, state and county police officers who participated in State/INL programs to include surviving family members.

As a company currently employing more than 1,200 law enforcement officials, DynCorp International is a strong supporter of CAA's effort to have CIVPOL Officers killed in action recognized on the National Law Enforcement Memorial Wall in Washington, DC. I have attended the National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial Fund's (NLEOMF) Annual Candlelight Vigil in recent years and listened to the surviving spouses who feel their loved ones are not resting in peace, lacking the customary honor of having their names inscribed on the National Memorial Wall. Attorney General Eric Holder was the keynote speaker at this year's Candlelight Vigil, and his words were ones of commemoration and camaraderie during the moving ceremony. This year three hundred

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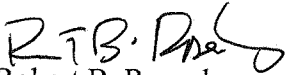
names were added to the wall. The heroic CIVPOL officers, who made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our democratic ideals, also deserve to be remembered and recognized, along with their police brethren on the wall.

Many CIVPOL Officers are surprised to learn they are no longer considered part of the law enforcement community when they participate in the State/INL CIVPOL Program. Failing to recognize these international heroes as Law Enforcement Officers is a disservice to their memories and negatively affects survivors, who can't join an organization like Concerns of Police Survivors, which supports the families of fallen law enforcement officers. Refusing these families the opportunity to apply for programs designed to help Law Enforcement Officers and their families is a travesty that needs to be corrected. CIVPOL officers have grown more aware of this issue, and it is having a negative impact on the morale of both them and their families as our brave men and women deploy around the globe to teach the tenets, doctrines and methodologies of democratic policing.

Mr. Congressman, thank you for your support of all our American police officers.

If I can provide any additional information on this important issue to you or your staff, please do not hesitate to contact me at 571-722-0210.

Sincerely,

  
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