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Ms. Teresa McKay, CPA Director, Defense Finance and Accounting Services 1851 South Bell Street Arlington, Virginia 22240-5291

Dear Ms. McKay:

As you know, industry as well as government may face the possibility of a government shutdown of unknown duration after March 18. Like government agencies, companies are identifying personnel who will be impacted and they are working with their government counterparts to accomplish that and other tasks. The undersigned members of the Council of Defense and Space Industry Associations (CODSIA) are appealing to you for any information you can share about DFAS' contingency plan.

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We have read reports that you will be staffed. If there is additional information you might share regarding your contingency plans particularly about plans, if any, to work with DCMA and DCAA to facilitate contractor payment in cases where funds are available, we hope you will do so.

We understand there are lots of unknowns at this point. Any insight you might provide would be deeply appreciated. It would also be useful if you would name a point-of-contact for us to consult about different payment issues as they arise.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request. . Please consider Bettie McCarthy, CODSIA's Administrative Officer as a central point of contact for us. She can be reached at 703-875-8059 and codsia@pscouncil.org.

Sincerely,

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