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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about military morale. The current administration has denigrating and seriously damaged various government agencies such as the EPA and the State Department but the military is under attack while supposedly being supported. You have insulted respected past leaders, most recently Mr McRaven. You have chosen oddly obscure procurement decisions such as EMALS to criticize leaving the impression of being in over your head without realizing it. More damaging has been the repeated and emphatic threats to transgender troops; this week the Justice Department asked the newly packed supreme court to step in and support your bigotry. Finally you have drawn criticism from Mr Dempsey among others for stranding a few thousand soldiers along the southern border and threatening to give orders to shoot civilians all as a political stunt.

Please assure me that you will leave transgender troops alone.

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from professional military.

Sincerely, Eric Babson