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The Honorable Ron Wyden
United States Senate
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Dear Senator Wyden:

This is in response to your letter dated May 18, 2017 regarding the Coast Guard's decision to temporarily suspend live-tissue training.

After reviewing Department of Defense and Department of Homeland Security policies and other applicable documents, we determined that live tissue training is no longer a requirement for any Coast Guard personnel. On June 28, 2017, my Chief Medical Officer and the Assistant Commandant for Capability permanently ended live-tissue training for all Coast Guard personnel.

The Coast Guard Senate Liaison Office at (202) 224-2914 would be pleased to respond to any further questions you or your staff may have.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "S.L. Stosz".

S.L. STOSZ
Vice Admiral, U.S. Coast Guard
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