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Dear Mr. Dumermuth:

Thank you for taking the time to contact me about Emergency Medical Services. As your Senator, it is important for me to hear from you.

I appreciate learning of your support for the establishment of a new U.S. Emergency Medical Services Administration (USEMSA) within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS). Your input as the President of the Iowa Emergency Medical Services Association Board of Directors is valued.

As you may know, DHS Secretary Michael Chertoff recently proposed new organizational changes within the Department. However, these structural alterations primarily address policy directorates that directly support the Secretary in making policy decisions about terrorism preparedness. While I understand your support for a new office to manage Emergency Medical Services, there are currently no proposals before Congress to initiate such a measure. assured that I will keep your suggestion in mind should the U.S. Senate have the opportunity to consider the restructuring of Emergency Management Services at the federal level.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I may be of assistance with any federal matter. My offices in Iowa, as well as in Washington, D.C., are here to serve you. Keep in touch!

Sincerely,

Charles E. Grassley United States Senator

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