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The Honorable Ray Mabus  
Secretary of the Navy  
U.S. Department of Defense  
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Dear Mr. Secretary:

As you are aware, on March 6, 2014, the Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight held a hearing titled, "Oversight of Contractor Performance Information." I appreciate the documents and information you and your staff provided in preparation for the hearing, and I also thank you for the testimony provided by Captain Brian T. Drapp at the hearing.

Following the hearing, I sent your office three short questions for the record. These questions asked why a security certificate warning appears when accessing FAPIIS and PPIRS, why the Navy did not build all the past performance databases into one system instead of separate modules that need retroactive integration, and what the Navy has done so far to help achieve the goal of one Integrated Acquisition Environment for all relevant acquisition information. I sent these questions to the Navy on March 21, 2014, and I asked that the Navy provide answers for the hearing record on or before April 25, 2014.

It has now been almost three months since that deadline and almost four months since the Navy received the questions, and the Subcommittee has yet to receive any response. To assist the Subcommittee in closing the hearing record and continuing its oversight, I request that you provide complete responses to all the questions asked for the hearing record as soon as possible, but no later than **August 1, 2014**.

The jurisdiction of the Subcommittee on Financial and Contracting Oversight is set forth in Senate Rule XXV clause 1(k); Senate Resolution 445 section 101 (108th Congress); and Senate Resolution 64 (113th Congress).

I appreciate your assistance. I have attached the original questions for the record for your convenience. Please contact Cathy Yu with the Subcommittee at (202) 224-9383 with any questions. Please send any official correspondence relating to this request to [Kelsey\\_Stroud@hsgac.senate.gov](mailto:Kelsey_Stroud@hsgac.senate.gov).

Sincerely,



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cc: The Honorable Chuck Hagel  
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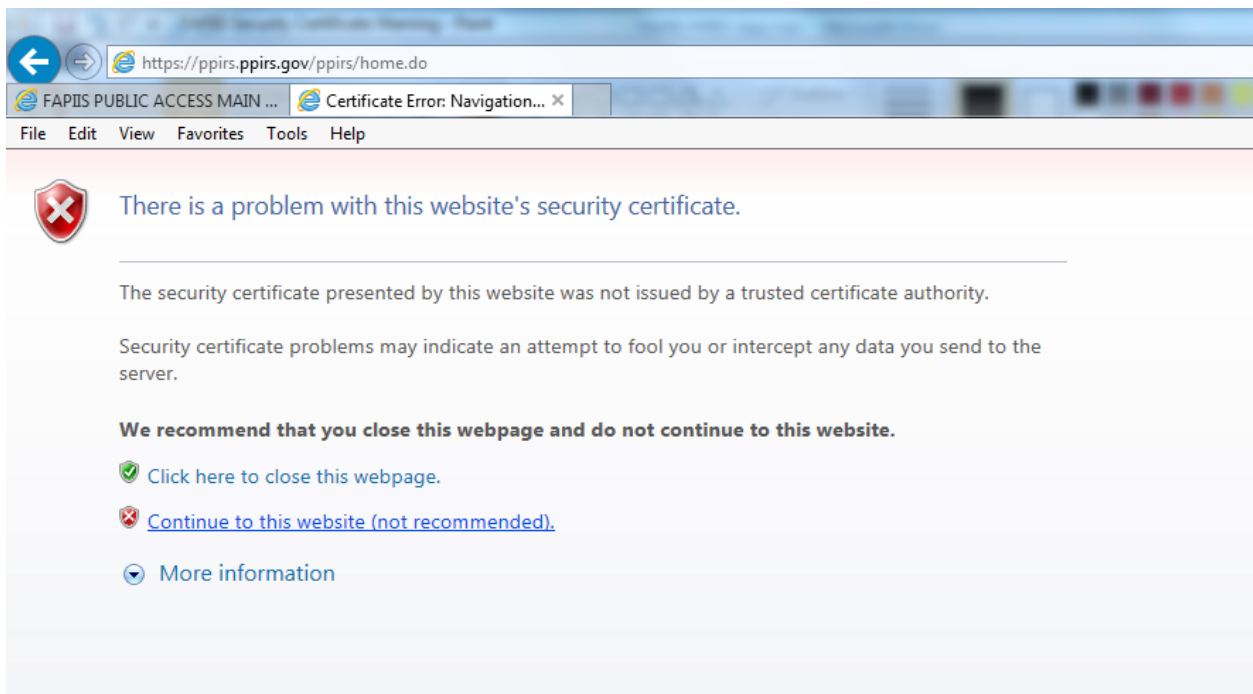
Enclosure

**Post-Hearing Questions for the Record  
Submitted to Captain Brian T. Drapp  
From Senator Claire McCaskill**

**“Oversight of Contractor Performance Information”  
March 6, 2014**

1. The Navy has informed the Subcommittee that the security certificates for FAPIIS and PPIRS are valid and current.

Q. Why does the following security certificate warning appear when accessing the databases?



2. Currently, work is being done to integrate all the past performance databases into one system instead of separate modules.

Q. Why didn't the Navy build them as one system in the first place?

3. The government has been working on the Integrated Acquisition Environment for years now.

Q. What has the Navy done so far to help achieve the goal of one system for all relevant acquisition information?