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Mr. Bret Hume
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Dear Mr. Hume,

I personally believe that you are the best, a level that others in your profession would do well to emulate.

The program last Friday included the usual discussion, well-done. A principal topic of the panel was Ms. Clinton's claim to end the war (IRAQ) if elected. In the course of the repartee which followed one of the members—Fred, I believe—noted rather off-handedly that after all Eisenhower went to Korea upon being elected, presumably in the manner that Ms. Clinton may now be contemplating, "and ended the war."

Fred's remark—if it was he—reflects the tragic mistake that most Americans make today. The Korean War continues through this very hour. Over a million and a half Americans are Korean War veterans, 1950-53, and since that time over three million Korean War veterans, 1954-2007 (and counting) have served and are serving.

The Korean War was the first open armed clash of the *Cold War* and persists still, after the *Cold War*, as a war that has not ended—there is only an unfulfilled cease-fire in effect. Americans have died in clashes in Korea since 1953, and Ike's visit; Americans have been seized on the high seas by North Koreans, since Ike's visit; and Americans have been awarded the Purple Heart for combat wounds received in Korea, since Ike's visit.

The Korean War Veterans Association of the US will never forget the war nor allow others to do so until a peace treaty agreed to by all parties has been signed and implemented. **ONLY THEN** may we all thankfully celebrate the end of the Korean War. Until that day our forces on *Freedom's Frontier in South Asia* must not be forgotten OR neglected.

Cordially, for all Veterans,

Louis T Dechert
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