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Hi Kaity,

Here are the witnesses we would like to provide the committee on June 12. Since speaking with you, we would like to add Mr. Kurtz as a third witness because he can speak on the acquisition aspect of the program which was raised in the staff level briefing. Happy to discuss through this further if you have questions.

- Mr. Peter Belk, PTDO ASD(Readiness)
- VADM Carl Chebi, NAVAIR Commander
- Mr. Gary Kurtz, Program Executive Officer, Air ASW, Assault and Special Missions Programs

As for the command investigations: Not all Class A mishaps have command investigations. Over the past five years there have been two command investigations conducted related to a V-22 Class A mishap. We have previously produced both of those to the Committee. It is up to the commands to decide if there is a command investigation. There are two command investigations that are still ongoing related to the mishaps in Japan and Australia. We are happy to engage with you further once those investigations are complete.

Thanks so much, Kelsey

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