FROM:

Director General, Okinawa Prefectural Enterprise Bureau.

TO:

Chief, Installation Management Flight

SUBJECT:

Request for Permission to Enter KADENA AIR BASE (water sampling for water quality

investigation of water resource)

It is requested that the officials of the Okinawa Prefectural Government be granted permission to enter the subject facilities and areas as according to attached paper.

Yours sincerely

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Director General of
Okinawa Prefectural Enterprise Bureau.

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Attachment: Visit Request Format

Request Format for Authorization of Visit to US Facilities and Areas (米軍施設・区域立入許可申請様式)

(Date/日付) 10 June 2016

1. Name of Facilities and Areas: Kadena Air Base, FAC6037

(As per attached List of Investigation spot)

(施設・区域名:嘉手納空軍基地、別添 調査地点位置図のとおり)

2. Date of Visit: June 27, 2016 9:00-17:00.

(立入の日付:平成28年6月27日 9:00~17:00)

- 3. Purpose of Visit: (立入の目的:)
 - Water sampling at DAKUJAKU River and its vicinity on KAB.

**Our water quality survey showed the high concentration of PFOS from the HIJA River and Wells on KAB, which are the water sources of Chatan Water Treatment Plant of Okinawa Prefectural Enterprise Bureau, compared to the other water sources. We believe that Kadena Air Base most likely caused the contamination because the PFOS levels were higher in the Kadena Wells on KAB and the Dakujaku River which runs through Kadena Air Base and flows into the Hija River.

As for the PFOS, its toxic assessment is not yet concluded and there is no clear regulation levels set under the Japanese "Waterworks Law". However, under "Act on the Evaluation of Chemical Substances and Regulation of Their Manufacture, etc.", the PFOS is prohibited to produce, use, and import except for specific use. Therefore, its impacts on human body are concerned and it has caused a great anxiety to the people of Okinawa.

We believe that it is necessary to improve the water quality in order to ensure the safety of our water sources by finding the cause of the problems and taking measures in response to this.

Therefore, we would like to visit the Dakujaku River on Kadena Air Base and its vicinity for water sampling.

4. Visitor(s): In total of 12 people from Okinawa Prefectural Enterprise Bureau and Environmental Affairs Department of OPG.

Vehicle to Enter:

As per attached List of Visitors.

5. Point of Contact of the Visitors/申請者側の連絡調整者:

(Name/氏名)

(Occupation/職名)

HIGA, Satoru

Associate Director, Water Supply Administration Division, OPEB

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沖縄県企業局配水管理課 主幹

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- NOTE 1: Details of the visit will be coordinated between points of contact. The name and telephone number of USFJ point of contact will be notified to the point of contact of the visitors if the visit is authorized.
- NOTE 2: The commanders of the US facilities and areas will not comment on government-to-government issues, but on their mission related issues only.
- NOTE 3: During the visit, a representative of the visitors must keep a copy of this request format.

