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Ron His Horse Is Thunder, Chairman  
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Dear Chairman His Horse Is Thunder

Having recently assumed command of the 28th Bomb Wing, I am writing to introduce myself and respectfully request a meeting to continue the government-to-government relationship and meaningful dialogue between the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and Team Ellsworth.

I believe meeting will help us both better understand our unique perspectives and continue the meaningful dialogue initiated by Colonel Vander Hamm between the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe and Team Ellsworth. Our discussions must be open and honest, respecting each other's cultures, and trusting of each other's desire to maintain a healthy relationship. My goal for this consultation is to get to know you and other members of the tribal council. If you have other specific issues you'd like to discuss when we meet, please feel free to contact me prior to the scheduled meeting so I can arrive more prepared, and we can make the meeting more productive.

We welcome you and other members of the tribal council to visit Ellsworth Air Force Base as it would give us an opportunity to provide you with a base tour. If you'd prefer to meet on the reservation or elsewhere, please let me know the dates you are available. I look forward to meeting you and learning more about the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe.

Please contact me at (605) 385-2801 if you have any questions. If deemed helpful, you may also have someone contact Mr. John Morgenstern, my natural and cultural resources manager, at (605) 385-2690.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jeffrey B. Taliaferro", with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

JEFFREY B. TALIAFERRO, Colonel, USAF

Attachment:  
Official Biography