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The Honorable Jeh Johnson
Secretary of Homeland Security
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Dear Secretary Johnson:

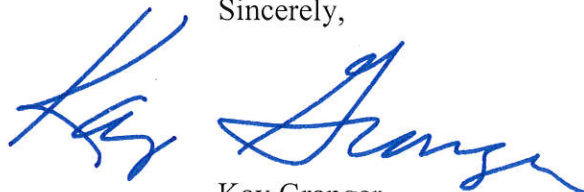
The Ebola outbreak in West Africa is an unprecedented global health crisis that the rest of the world must take seriously. As you know, I have been in constant communication with the Administration regarding the response and I have expressed how critical it is that all possible precautions be taken to protect the U.S. and its citizens from the outbreak.

I was pleased to hear that additional screening measures are being implemented at some airports in the United States to ensure someone with Ebola does not enter the country. I urge you to include the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport (DFW) and the George Bush Intercontinental Airport in Houston (IAH) to that list. Millions of international travelers come through these two airports annually: DFW serves over 6 million travelers and IAH serves over 8 million travelers. In addition, there is daily nonstop service between Lagos, Nigeria – in West Africa – and Houston.

As you know, Texas was also the site of the first Ebola case in the United States. Mr. Duncan arrived in Dallas on a flight that landed at the DFW International Airport. As major destinations for international travel, additional screening at these airports is important to protecting the U.S. from additional cases of Ebola.

During this time of heightened awareness of the disease, I urge you to consider adding these two Texas airports as sites for additional screening. I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



Kay Granger
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CC: Dr. Tom Frieden