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AIR FORCE SYSTEMS COMMAND  
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Dr. William Thornton  
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Dear Doctor Thornton

Thank you for your letter of October 16th.

We at the School do not control assignments to classes of the Aerospace Medicine course. This is done by the Surgeon General's Office. However, I would say that -- if you are physically qualified for flying -- your chances for securing the course are excellent. You would need to make your application to the Surgeon General.

Your prospects for assignment to the School, considering your background, would also appear excellent. And, if you are assigned here, we could enter you in the Aerospace Medicine course on an informal and unofficial basis, even if you were not physically qualified for flying. You could thus at least secure the training which would get you started in research on aerospace medicine.

We will hope to see you. Please keep in touch with us.

Sincerely

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