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Mr. Alexander Kovalev  
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Dear Mr. Kovalev:

It gives me great pleasure to extend an invitation to you to attend the 114<sup>th</sup> National Convention of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States. The Convention will be held July 20-24, 2013, at the Kentucky International Convention Center in Louisville, Kentucky. The invitation is also extended to your delegation.

The schedule for our National Convention is being finalized. If possible, I request everyone plan to arrive in Louisville on Saturday, July 20, 2013, and plan to depart anytime you wish on Tuesday, July 23, 2013.

For planning purposes, I would appreciate getting a confirmation of everyone's attendance at our Convention as soon as possible. It would be most helpful if you could fax the travel itineraries to Bob Wallace, VFW Executive Director of the Washington Office, at 202-543-6719. Your hotel reservation will be made by VFW upon receipt of the requested information.

Mr. Wallace who will serve as my principal point of contact will also be available to answer any questions concerning your attendance. He can be reached by telephone at 202-608-8361 or by e-mail at [bwallace@vfw.org](mailto:bwallace@vfw.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John E. Hamilton".

JOHN E. HAMILTON  
Commander-in-Chief