June 4, 2011

The Honorable Timothy F. Geithner
Secretary of the Treasury
Department of the Treasury
1500 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20220

Dear Secretary Geithner:

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (Committee) was held on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at United States Mint Headquarters in Washington, DC. The Committee reviewed proposed Congressional Gold Medal designs collectively honoring the 100th Infantry Battalion, the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, and the Military Intelligence Service in recognition of their distinguished service in World War II.

For the medal’s obverse design, the Committee recommended design NIS-O-03. The design, which garnered 24 of the 24 possible points through the Committee’s scoring process, shows Nisei soldiers in training for both the European and Pacific theaters. The American flag is superimposed to evoke emotions of irony and pain from discrimination these soldiers had to endure while, nevertheless, fighting with valor and honor in the face of adversity at home and abroad. Numerous comments from members in support of this design, coupled with the Committee’s unanimous score in its favor, illustrate the Committee’s strong recommendation of this design.

The Committee recommended reverse design NIS-R-3 by collectively assigning 21 of the 24 possible points available through the Committee’s scoring process. The design features the individual unit insignias of the three groups honored by the medal.

Following the Committee’s review and scoring process, the Committee recommended that the words “Act of Congress 2010” be added to either the medal’s obverse or reverse.

Sincerely,

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Gary B. Marks
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Dear Secretary Geithner:

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (Committee) was held on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at United States Mint Headquarters in Washington, DC. The Committee reviewed proposed designs for the 2012 National Infantry Museum and Soldier Center Commemorative Coin Program.

For the coin’s obverse design, the Committee recommended design INF-O-05. The design, which garnered 14 of the 27 possible points through the Committee’s scoring process, shows three United States Infantry soldiers courageously charging forward while engaged in battle. The soldier appearing in the center of the three man grouping is shown beckoning the troops to follow. The Committee felt the image appropriately characterized the “Follow me” motto of the Infantry. After the initial scoring process, the Committee approved a motion with six (6) votes in favor and two (2) votes in opposition to recommend the removal of the soldier appearing closest to the right edge of the coin. The Committee felt removal of the soldier would create a cleaner and more pleasing design.

The Committee recommended reverse design INF-R-01 by collectively assigning 24 of the 27 possible points available through the Committee’s scoring process. The design symbolizes the courage, pride and sacrifice of the United States Infantry by featuring the Combat Infantry Badge as its central figure.

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Dear Secretary Geithner:

A public meeting of the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (Committee) was held on Wednesday, May 25, 2011, at United States Mint Headquarters in Washington, DC. The Committee reviewed and discussed 2013 Native American $1 Coin Program Design Narratives.

United States Mint staff presented a narrative theme concerning Sovereignty and Treaties – the Delaware Treaty (1778). The narrative describes the legal structure the Delaware Treaty established as precedent for relations between tribes and the United States. Members questioned the appropriateness of such a theme given the broader historical context of violations by the United States government of treaties with Native American tribes. Members stated that designs portraying such a theme could not be accurately presented without recognition of numerous treaty violations. When the Committee learned that a quote from Chief Justice John Marshall, recognizing that Native American people had seen extensive loss of tribal lands through successive treaties with the United States government, had been removed from the proposed narrative, a motion was unanimously approved to recommend that the quote be restored. After a thorough discussion, members expressed a strong desire for alternate themes more appropriate for use on the 2013 Native American Coin.

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