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Executive Director Evans,

I wanted to sincerely express my gratitude to ILEAS for their assistance with the security of President Biden during his visit to Belvidere, Illinois on November 9, 2023.

I am fortunate to have Commander Bell on my department, so coordination with your organization was seamless. Commander Bell was able to organize some severely needed personnel to assist in filling security gaps and still have enough to handle any protestor disruptions.

This event would not have gone as smooth without the assistance, equipment and personnel of ILEAS. My department has been a long-time member and supporter of ILEAS and it was educational to see, first hand, the professionalism and organization of your teams.

During an event of this magnitude, there are no simple assignments. Every detail and every responsibility makes a difference. ILEAS, through the leadership of Commander Bell, was able to adapt to evolving situations which maintained motorcade route security, preserved perimeter integrity and mitigated threats to the safety of the operation.

I greatly appreciate the help ILEAS provided my department.

Sincerely,

Chief Shane Woody
Belvidere Police Department
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