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Colonel Steven C. McCraw  
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Dear Colonel McCraw:

As you have explained, the cartels that smuggle illicit contraband and people across our southern border do not care about the condition of the vehicles they send into Texas any more than they care who overdoses from the deadly fentanyl on board. In response to this threat, which is projected to grow in the coming months, I hereby direct the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to conduct enhanced safety inspections of vehicles as they cross international ports of entry into Texas. These inspections should begin immediately to help ensure that Texans are not endangered by unsafe vehicles and their unsafe drivers.

Thank you for serving the great State of Texas, and for leading the brave men and women of DPS who work tirelessly to protect us all.

Sincerely,

Greg Abbott  
Governor of Texas

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