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August 14, 2002

Mr. Jonathan G. Katz
Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20549

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Re: Statement under Oath relating to Exchange Act filings
United Defense Industries, Inc.

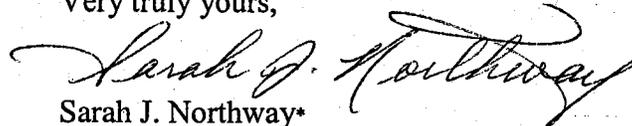
Dear Mr. Katz:

Enclosed for filing, please find an original of the Statement under Oath relating to Exchange Act filings for each of Thomas W. Rabaut, Chief Executive Officer, and Francis Raborn, Chief Financial Officer of United Defense Industries, Inc.

United Defense's Form 10Q for the second quarter of 2002 was filed with the Commission on Tuesday, August 13, 2002.

Please date-stamp the enclosed copies and return them with our courier who has been instructed to wait. If there are any questions, please call me at (202) 637-1082.

Very truly yours,



Sarah J. Northway*

*Member of CA Bar. DC Bar application pending.

Enclosures

**Statement Under Oath of Principal Financial Officer
Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings**

I, Francis Raborn, state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of United Defense Industries, Inc. ("UDII"), and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's Audit and Ethics Committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- Annual Report of UDII on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001 filed with the Commission;
- all reports in Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K, and all definitive proxy materials of UDII filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.



Francis Raborn
August 13, 2002

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Subscribed and sworn to
Before me this 13th day of
August 2002.

/s/ Jandia D. McKinney
Notary Public

My Commission Expires: November 30, 2002