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Dear Senator Cranston:

Thank you for your letter of January 14 concerning the welfare and whereabouts of Ms. Emma Konig, a citizen of Argentina, on behalf of your constituents, [Mr. and Mrs. I. Feiger].

[Mr. and Mrs. Feiger] have sought information on behalf of Ms. Konig since at least 1978. Since that date the U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires has tried to obtain information regarding Ms. Konig, but without success. While Ms. Konig may be among the decreasing number of prisoners held under state of siege powers by the Government, it is also possible that Ms. Konig is one of the many who have disappeared in Argentina and about whose whereabouts we have been unable to obtain information. Accounting for the disappeared is one of the most difficult human rights problems facing the Argentine Government and one which we hope the Argentines will resolve.

We will again ask our Embassy to remain alert to your concern about Ms. Emma Konig and to respond to you in the event that there is new information.

With cordial regards,

Sincerely,

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