



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

June 23, 2016

President Barack Obama
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing today to urge you to visit Ukraine before the end of your term. It was recently announced that you will be traveling to Warsaw, Poland from July 7-9 to attend the 2016 NATO summit. This would be an excellent opportunity to visit Ukraine to demonstrate your support for the democratic transition underway there.

A trip to Ukraine would be significant for several reasons. The trip would be important for the U.S.-Ukraine strategic partnership as we enhance cooperation in defense, security, democracy, economic development and trade, energy security and cultural exchanges. We thank the administration for the recent third loan guarantee made to support Ukraine as they continue to implement their economic reform agenda. Under your administration, since the crisis with Russia broke out in 2014, the United States has given \$760 million in direct assistance and three \$1 billion loan guarantees to assist Ukraine fight corruption, strengthen the rule of law, implement critical reforms, bolster civil society and advance energy security.

Furthermore, a visit by the President of the United States would solidify our common interests and bilateral relations, and demonstrate our support for Ukraine's Euro-Atlantic integration. We believe the trip is necessary to send a strong message to our European allies, and Russia as it continues its aggression in Ukraine, that we continue to firmly stand with Ukraine through these developments and encourage further progress.

Your presence would represent an important symbol that the United States continues to stand with the people of Ukraine during their transition. Most importantly, the visit would express the unwavering support of the United States and the American people – including 1 million proud Ukrainian Americans.

We appreciate your consideration of our request.

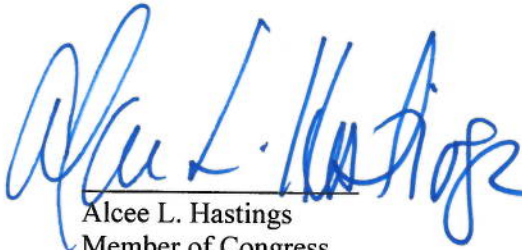
Sincerely,

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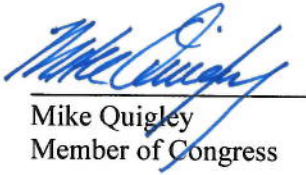
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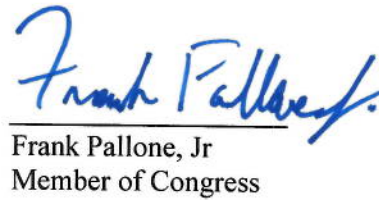
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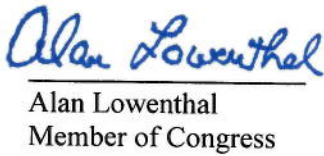
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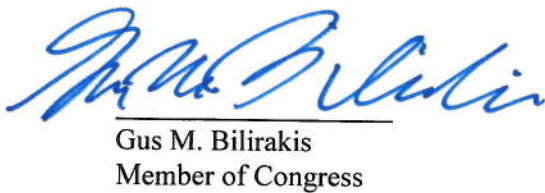
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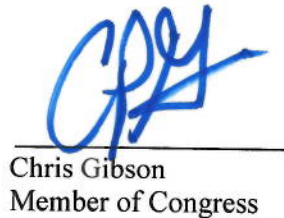
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