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Representative Timothy Wirth  
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Dear Congressmen Wirth and Miller:

A situation has come to my attention which I hope you will help clarify for me. Mr. Timothy O. Stoen has apparently received support from your offices in a child custody case which is being conducted in Georgetown, Guyana, South America.

In the first place, is it not within the jurisdiction of the Guyanese court system to settle this matter? Is there reason for U. S. governmental officials to be involved in any way? I seriously question this kind of intrusion into the affairs of a sovereign nation, or is it that the internal affairs of a developing Third World nation are considered less than sovereign? Is it the business of our U. S. elected officials to be putting pressure on the Stoen custody decision as your respective offices allegedly have done?

I am told you have signed, among a few other Congressmen, a letter on behalf of Mr. Stoen. Regardless of the circumstances of this or any other case being handled within the legal framework of a foreign country, I can see no reason whatsoever for you to have done this. I would hope that you will reconsider and somehow revoke this document.

Very sincerely yours,

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