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The Hon. William Jefferson Clinton 55 West 125th Street. New York, NY 10027 October 3, 2012

Dear President Clinton:

Please find enclosed a request from Taiwan re. the incarceration of Taiwan's former president Chen Shui-bian.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely.

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The Hon. William Jefferson Clinton 55 West 125th Street. New York, NY 10027 USA September 28, 2012

Dear President Clinton:

We are writing to you today about an issue of grave concern to the people of Taiwan and to Taiwanese Americans: the incarceration of Taiwan's former President Mr. Chen Shui-bian.

Mr. Chen has been receiving inhumane treatment in prison since November 11, 2008 based on politically motivated corruption charges. He was diagnosed this past March with acute coronary syndrome and a significantly reduced blood flow to the heart. He subsequently underwent an urgent cardiac catheterization procedure. A prostate tumor was found during the checkup among other undisclosed conditions.

Chen's doctors attribute his poor health to long-term deprivation of sunlight, lack of exercise and an inactive life style. Chen has been confined with a cellmate in a damp and undersized cell of about 70 square ft.

On July 12, U.S. Representatives Andrews and Lungren submitted a report titled "The Effects of Incarceration on the Mental and Physical Health of Former President Chen Shui-bian of Taiwan" to co-chairs of the Tom Lantos Human Rights Commission. The report concludes: "Because it is not easily predictable how much CSB's incarceration conditions need to improve to prevent further serious physical and mental damage such as adjustment disorder or PTSD (Post Traumatic Stress Disorder)....medical parole is the most appropriate effective treatment intervention. "It was drafted by an American medical team of private citizens consisting of Joseph Lin, Ph.D., Ken Yoneda, M.D., and Charles Whitcomb, M.D., which traveled to Taiwan to visit President Chen in jail on June 11.

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As a human rights supporter and a citizen of a country that adheres to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, we have the honor to invite you to visit Taipei at your earliest convenience. It would be greatly appreciated if you would consider personally meeting with President Chen in jail during your stay in Taiwan.

Sincerely yours,

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