## THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

March 9, 1998

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter on your first trip to Bosnia, Croatia and Serbia. I am very happy that your trip went well and that you were able to generate forward momentum on the missing persons question. I appreciate your candor on the magnitude of the problem.

You have highlighted the key issues at hand: the need to hold government officials accountable and to remove politics from the process. Under your stewardship, the International Commission on Missing Persons should provide the impetus to keep this reenergized process on track.

Please accept my thanks for your superb contributions to this process, and I look forward to hearing more about your ideas and plans for the Commission. You have my support and that of my Administration as you move forward.

Sincerely,

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