THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

April 5, 1993

Dear Mr. Leader:

Thank you for your letter of February 24, 1993, urging me to request the U.N. Security Council to adopt an oil embargo against Libya in response to Libya's continued refusal to hand over the two suspects indicted in the bombing of Pan Am 103.

As the recent bombing at the World Trade Center reminds us, Americans are not immune to acts of terrorism either at home or abroad.

When the U.N. sanctions come up for review in April, we will have an opportunity to reaffirm our commitment to this end. As I said during the campaign, the sanctions imposed on Libya last year are not enough: the international community must step up the pressure on Libya to surrender the suspects. My Administration is currently assessing how to achieve further sanctions and we are consulting with our allies, particularly France and Great Britain, on this issue.

It is important that the families of the victims of the Pan Am 103 disaster who have been instrumental in keeping this issue on the agenda be involved as we develop our strategy for achieving Libyan compliance. At my request, my National Security Adviser, Anthony Lake, met with representatives of the families on March 25 to gain their unique insights on this issue.

Again, thank you for bringing your concern and support to my attention. As we progress with our consultations, I will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

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