## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Barack Obama President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We are writing to underscore the importance of a full and just acknowledgment of the Armenian Genocide in your annual April 24th statement.

A clear recognition of the Armenian Genocide, particularly in this Centennial year, would affirm that the Armenian Genocide is not an allegation, a personal opinion, or a point of view, but rather a widely documented fact supported by an overwhelming body of historical evidence.

A principled Presidential statement clearly citing the Armenian Genocide would help strengthen condemnations of the past, and recognize the important relationship the United States shares with Armenia today.

Please join with us this April in properly commemorating the Armenian Genocide by citing it as a clear instance of genocide. A forthright recognition of this genocide will honor the Armenian, Greek, Assyrian and other Christian victims of this atrocity, pay well-deserved tribute to American humanitarian relief efforts, pave the way toward improved Armenian-Turkish relations, and meaningfully reinforce our own resolve, as Americans, to prevent future genocides.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

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