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Dear Mr. Funseth:

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I was concerned, however, that there was little or no concern expressed regarding several thousands former re-education camp detainees presently detained in Southeast Asia refugee camps, waiting for screening because they arrived after the cut-off dates for screening.

As you know, the screening is extremely slow in Thailand, Malaysia, and Hong Kong. Former detainees, some of whom were incarcerated for ten or more years, might now have to wait several years more, before being given refugee status. These people are now considered "asylum seekers"; clearly they should receive a priority for screening. Reports from persons who have been screened out of these camps indicate that the conditions under which former re-education camp detainees live are inhumane.

In November 1989, I visited several Southeast Asia refugee camps at my own expense to see what could be done for unaccompanied minors. While there, I came to hear about the situation of the former re-education camp detainees.

Much has been done for ex-detainees in Vietnam. I hope that you can also pay attention to and take action on behalf of the ex-detainees in Southeast Asia refugee camps who, until now, have been virtually forgotten.

If anything official has been done for these people, I would appreciate your sending me information about it. Again, I greatly appreciate your interest in the plight of former re-education camp detainees.

Sincerely yours,

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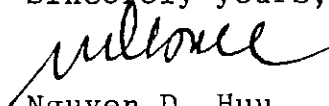
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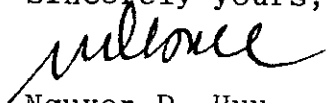
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