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Mr. John F. Geisse

Indianapolis, Indiana

Dear Mr. Geisse:

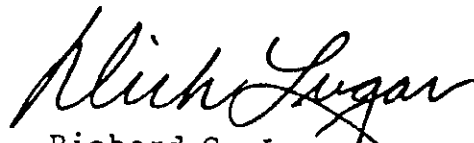
Thank you for your recent letter and the enclosed material.

I care deeply about the status of human rights in El Salvador and throughout Central America, and I have been very active in pushing for substantive reform. On several occasions, I have personally expressed to the Ambassador of El Salvador and other Salvadoran officials that without these changes, U.S. assistance to their country is in jeopardy. I have also written and introduced legislation, S. 2592, which would put conditions on U.S. aid to El Salvador.

This bill would put a cap on the amount of military assistance to El Salvador at a level lower than our current funding. It would also cut off all funding to the Government of El Salvador if it 1) declines to participate in good faith negotiations with the FMLN; 2) fails to support an active role of the U.N. in these negotiations; 3) fails to conduct a thorough and professional investigation into, and prosecution of, those responsible for the murder of Salvadorans, including the eight murders at the University of Central America; 4) has not taken concrete steps to separate law enforcement from the Armed Forces of El Salvador; or 5) has not taken appropriate measures to protect the constitutionally guaranteed activities of all groups in El Salvador. My legislation also provides incentives to the FMLN to negotiate an end to the war in El Salvador.

I am grateful for your interest in this vital issue and for taking the time to communicate your views to me.

Sincerely,

  
Richard G. Lugar

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