May 6, 1991

President George H. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President:

His Holiness the Dalai Lama instructed that I convey His concern about your health. He prays and wishes you a complete and speedy recovery. We are very relieved to hear that you have returned from the hospital and I will convey that welcome news to His Holiness.

Sincerely,

Lodi G. Gyari, Special Envoy of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama
Your Excellency,

I want to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you yesterday at the White House. I am especially appreciative of the fact that this was made possible in spite of objections and contrary advice from some quarters.

The United States is the most powerful country today. It is my hope that your nation exercise this power to promote human values and democracy in the world. My belief is that the core of our human character is gentle and compassionate. You are a leader with tremendous responsibilities and burdens, and yet I was moved by your warmth and gentleness.

The situation in Tibet is grave, and it is my hope that all of us can do something effective to end human suffering and save a threatened culture. May I keep you and your administration informed of any developments in this regard.

I was very glad that Gen. Scowcroft was able to be with us during my brief presentation.

In concluding, please convey my warm regards to Mrs. Bush for her hospitality and the book on famous Millie.

With my prayers and best wishes,

Sincerely,