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NAME OF CORRESPONDENT: MR. KENJOHN WANG

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KEEP THIS WORKSHEET ATTACHED TO THE ORIGINAL INCOMING LETTER AT ALL TIMES AND SEND COMPLETED RECORD TO RECORDS MANAGEMENT.
President George Bush  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington D.C., 20500

Dear Mr. President:

Our organization promotes democracy and freedom for the people of Taiwan. We are asking you for your support, especially now that threats to democracy and self-determination of the people of Taiwan are looming larger.

The Tiananmen incident of June 4, 1989, serves as a reminder of what can happen to a nation where the people are not allowed peaceful, political means of expression. Furthermore, periodic statements by spokesmen from the mainland have held open the possibility that China might use force to "resolve" the Taiwan problem.

In addition to this threat, Taiwan’s president Lee Teng-hui, who is not elected by the Taiwanese people, stated in his inauguration speech of May 20, 1990, that he will soon discuss the reunification of Taiwan and China with the regime in Beijing.

Nobody but the Taiwanese people themselves can determine whether Taiwan should reunify with the mainland!

In the past you have consistently upheld the concept of the plebiscite as the cornerstone of democratic societies. On self-determination for the people of Puerto Rico you stated in a letter to Congressman Lagomarsino, that "...the people of Puerto Rico must have the right to express their own views on their future" and "I urge the Congress to act this year to allow a binding plebiscite on the island next year." We are now asking for your support of self-determination for the people of Taiwan as well.

I look forward to hearing from you, and thank you for your support of freedom for the people of Taiwan.

Sincerely yours,

Kenjohn Wang
President
Dear Mr. Wang:

On behalf of President Bush, I would like to thank you for your correspondence regarding the issue of self-determination for the people of Taiwan. This is a crucial time for the Republic of China, and the preservation of democracy and a free-market economy is an important issue.

I have taken the liberty of forwarding your letter to my colleagues in the National Security Council for their review.

Once again, thank you for your correspondence.

Sincerely,

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