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The Honorable Richard Lugar
U.S. Senate Foreign Relations
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: John Bolton – Champion of Human Rights and Religious Liberty

Dear Senator Lugar:

The United Nations faces tough times. The United Nations charter, not to mention the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, guarantees freedom and fundamental human rights, yet ruthless religious persecution, imprisonment of the innocent, and mass genocide prevail globally. The U.N. must address and confront these problems, and John Bolton is the envoy most able to carry that message.

Currently the Undersecretary of State for Arms Control and International Security, John Bolton is the President's nominee to represent America at the U.N. Bolton has spent his career standing for fundamental liberties, freedoms, and the Rule of Law. He served as one of the original members of the United States Commission on International Religious Freedom from 1999 to 2001. He led the charge in the first Bush Administration as the Assistant Secretary for International Organizations to repeal the heinous U.N. resolution that equated Zionism with racism, despite the advice of many that it would be too difficult and not worth expending the U.S.'s political capital.

John Bolton is perhaps best known by his enemies. When speaking in Seoul two years ago, Bolton truthfully called life in North Korea a "hellish nightmare" and described the hundreds of thousands of people Kim Jong-Il had "locked in prison camps with millions more mired in abject poverty, scrounging the ground for food." As a result, the North Korean regime railed against Bolton. Unshaken by intimidation tactics, Bolton continues to speak eloquently and effectively against that country's tyranny.

The U.N.'s preamble contains the following objective: "to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, in the dignity and worth of the human person." This principle, regrettably, is not upheld. Consider the fact that in 2001 the United States was removed from the U.N. Human Rights Commission, while countries such as Syria, Sudan, and Libya not only remained but even chaired its session. Consider the fact that the U.N. neglects to save people from genocide because members of its Human Rights Commission – some whose countries themselves perpetrate genocide – cannot agree on what defines "genocide," a term already clearly delineated in

international law. John Bolton can, without a doubt, advance the American values highlighted by President George W. Bush in his second inaugural address: “We will encourage reform in other governments by making clear that success in our relations will require the decent treatment of their own people. America’s belief in human dignity will guide our policies, yet rights must be more than the grudging concessions of dictators; they are secured by free dissent and the participation of the governed.”

John Bolton’s fearless resolve, comprehensive global understanding, and principled motives equip him to serve as an outspoken, eloquent, and effective representative of the United States before the court of world opinion. In the words of *Washington Post* writer Anne Applebaum: “Most of all, though, Bolton, who has been writing about the United Nations for decades, is one of the few people in public life willing to draw the distinction between what the United Nations actually is and what everyone would like it to be.” Likened to Ambassadors Daniel Patrick Moynihan and Jeane Kirkpatrick, Bolton is particularly suited to help the U.N. match its actions with its foundational principles, which for Bolton especially requires the defense of human rights and freedom. Bolton is a devoted internationalist and able diplomat committed both to successful multilateralism and U.N. reform, and he consequently deserves America’s stalwart support.

Thank you for your careful consideration of John Bolton. If you have any questions or desire further discussion regarding Bolton’s nomination please feel free to contact Mariam Bell, National Director of Public Policy for the Wilberforce Forum, at 703-623-2365.

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