

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

October 23, 2019

His Excellency, President Muhammadu Buhari
President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
Office of the President
Nigerian Presidential Complex, Aso Rock
Abuja, Federal Capital Territory

Your Excellency,

We write to thank you for your efforts to secure the release of 104 schoolgirls captured by Boko Haram militants on February 19, 2018. However, one girl, Leah Sharibu, is still held prisoner by Boko Haram under brutal conditions because she has refused to renounce her Christian faith.

Boko Haram has stated repeatedly that they will execute Leah, she remains steadfast in her faith. Leah's story of courage and resilience in the face of mortal danger has inspired the international community and invoked global calls for her safe return home.

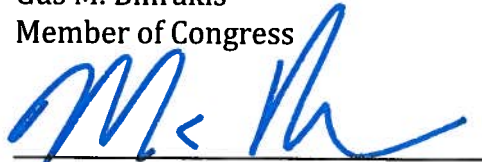
Leah has now spent two birthdays in captivity. It is time to bring her home.

The United States and Nigeria maintain a strategic relationship critical to both our interests and is built on mutual values which cannot be reconciled with Leah's ongoing imprisonment. We respectfully urge your administration to use the fullest extent of your power to secure Leah's safe release. We stand ready to be of assistance and early await to hear about your commitment towards the ongoing efforts.

Sincerely,



Gus M. Bilirakis
Member of Congress



Marco Rubio
United States Senator



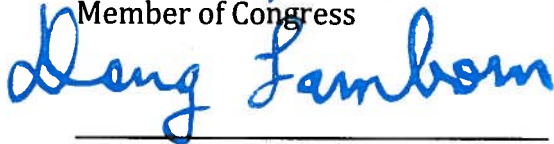
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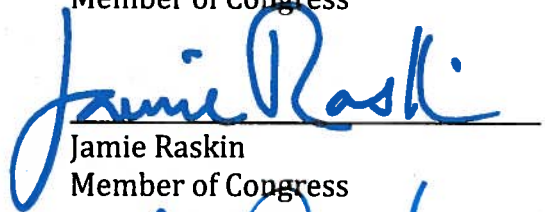
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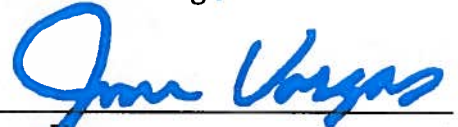
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