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011a. letter	American adoptive parents to FLOTUS (1 page)	01/23/1996	P6/b(6)
011b. photographs	adoptive parent and child (2 pages)	12/30/1995	P6/b(6)
011c. envelope	adoptive family to FLOTUS (1 page)	nd	P6/b(6)
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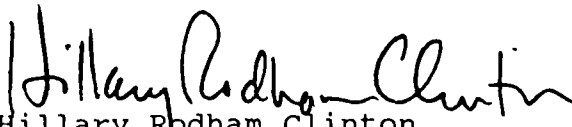
Ms. Leila Rachid
Advisor to Mrs. Wasmosy
Asunción, Paraguay

Dear Leila,

Please know how grateful I am to you for your crucial, behind-the-scenes efforts on behalf of the American adoptive parents in Asunción. There are many families in the United States who are indebted to you and to Mrs. Wasmosy, and I thank you for your understanding and for your significant help.

With best wishes for success and happiness in the new year, I am

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

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Mrs. Maria Teresa Carrasco de Wasmosy
Mburuvicha Roga
Asunción, Paraguay

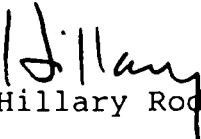
Dear Mrs. Wasmosy,

I want to thank you personally for your efforts this past December on behalf of American adoptive parents in Paraguay. Nearly one hundred families were united and able to return together to the United States before the year's end. I know your assistance helped to make that possible.

Thank you also for sharing with me materials on your pre-Columbian expeditions, as well as recent copies of *Jazmín*.

With warm regards and admiration for your continuing leadership on behalf of children and families, I am

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Deputy Chief of Mission
United States Embassy
Asunción, Paraguay

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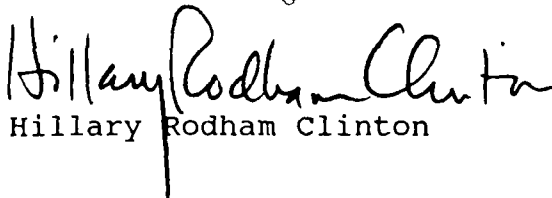
I wanted to thank you personally for your extraordinary leadership on behalf of American adoptive parents in Paraguay. Your hard work had the important result of bringing families together, and I am very grateful to you for your commitment to this effort.

I was also very gratified to learn that my recent letter to Mrs. Wasmosy may have played a helpful role in getting the pending cases resolved before the deadline. I can think of no better follow-up to my wonderful visit to Paraguay last October.

I hope you and your family are acclimating to the new post.

With best wishes for a happy and healthy new year, I am

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WASHINGTON

December 19, 1995

Maria Teresa Carrasco de Wasmosy
Mburuvicha Roga
Asunción, Paraguay

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TAGS: CVIS, PREL, PA

SUBJECT: PARAGUAYANS DELIVER RECORD ADOPTIONS BEFORE
JUDICIAL RECESS: A HAPPY ENDING, BUT PROBLEMS
REMAIN

REFS: (A) 95 ASUNCION 3977, (B) 95 STATE 291542

1. SUMMARY. A WELL-TIMED LETTER FROM FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, INTENSE LOBBYING BY THE EMBASSY AND TIRELESS WORK FROM OUR CONSULAR SECTION RESULTED IN A RECORD 90 ADOPTIONS COMPLETED UNDER THE WIRE BEFORE THE PARAGUAYAN JUDICIAL SUMMER RECESS. THIS OUTCOME IS A CREDIT TO USG ADVOCACY FOR AMERICANS ABROAD AND A GENUINE HAPPY ENDING FOR THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS. NEVERTHELESS, THE PARAGUAYAN ADOPTION SYSTEM IS STILL FRUSTRATING AND UNPREDICTABLE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO NEED DEPARTMENT HELP TO GET THAT WORD OUT TO THE AGENCIES AND TO THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS. END SUMMARY.

2. REF A AND PREVIOUS REPORTED THE SERIOUS BOTTLENECK OF U.S. ADOPTION CASES IN PARAGUAY AROUND CHRISTMAS. WITH THE NEARLY 2-MONTH PAARGUAYAN JUDICIAL RECESS LOOMING, 70-PLUS AMERICAN ADOPTIVE PARENTS IN ASUNCION APPEALED TO THE EMBASSY FOR HELP.

3. IN RESPONSE, EMBASSY ADVOCACY FOR THE BELEAGUERED AMERICANS HAS STEPPED UP, INCLUDING CONTACTS WITH

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PRESIDENT WASMOSY, SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT PACIELLO AND WITH EVERY MEMBER OF THE APPELLATE JUVENILE COURT.

4. HOWEVER, IT WAS ALMOST CERTAINLY A PERSONAL LETTER FROM FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON TO MRS. WASMOSY (REF. B) WHICH MOVED THE ADOPTIONS ISSUE TO THE FRONT BURNER. ACTIVE FOLLOW-UP ON THE PARAGUAYAN SIDE BY MRS. WASMOSY'S CHIEF OF STAFF, LEILA RACHID, WAS ALSO A KEY FACTOR IN MOVING NOT ONLY THE COURTS, BUT ALSO THE CIVIL REGISTRY AND GOP PASSPORT OFFICE.

5. BY THE DECEMBER 31 DEADLINE, THE COURTS HAD SIGNED OUT 90 ADOPTION DECREES FOR U.S. CITIZEN PARENTS. THE EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION HANDLED 25 PERCENT OF THE ENTIRE YEAR'S ADOPTIONS IN A WEEK, AND DID SO WITH EQUANIMITY AND PROFESSIONALISM -- DESITE FURLOUGHS AND NO PAY.

COMMENT

6. INTERNATIONAL ADOPTIONS IN PARAGUAY ARE TERRIBLY COMPLICATED AND THE FRUSTRATION LEVEL OF AMERICAN ADOPTIVE PARENTS GENERALLY RUNS FROM HIGH TO OFF THE SCALE. THIS EPISODE ENDED WELL. HOWEVER, WE CANNOT REALISTICALLY SUSTAIN THE LEVEL OF PRESSURE ON THE GOP APPLIED IN THE LAST 10 DAYS OF DECEMBER. FURTHERMORE, THE PARAGUAYANS ARE TRYING TO CLEAN UP THE ADOPTION PROCESS, IN PART, BECAUSE WE HAVE ASKED THEM TO. SOME DEGREE OF CHAOS WILL INEVITABLY PLAGUE THE REFORM EFFORT AND THIS WILL NOT BE LOST ON AMERICAN ADOPTIVE PARENTS. POST WILL CONTINUE TO NEED DEPARTMENT'S HELP IN WARNING AGENCIES AND PROSPECTIVE ADOPTIVE PARENTS ABOUT THE DELAYS AND FRUSTRATIONS OF ADOPTING IN PARAGUAY.

HARRIS

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OFFICE OF THE FIRST LADY

phone 202-456-6266
fax 202-456-6244

TO Bill Harris

FROM Nicole Rabner

FAX # 011 595 21 213 728

PHONE # _____

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COMMENTS Thank you for helping with this
letter. It will come by cable
from State tomorrow morning
and I will call Leila Rachel
and fax it to her as well.

On an unrelated matter, photos
from the wonderful visit are on
the way!

Nicole Rabner

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TO Don Planty
FROM Nicole Rabner
FAX # 736-4475
PHONE # 647-2407
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COMMENTS Thank you very much for your
help.
I'm having trouble faxing to
The Embassy, but will keep trying.

-- 12/12/95 note from Jerry Atchley, forwarding letter to POTUS and you from 34 Americans in Paraguay awaiting finalization of the adoption of children there. Jerry says they are close friends of one of the couples. Some have been there 4 months and are now faced with unprecedented and unexplained judicial delays. The last court day is 12/29 before they shut down for month of January. They have contacted the Embassy and are to meet today with Mr. William Harris and Mr. Eigel.

✓ To McLann ASAP for followup/response

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#300 LITTLE ROCK, AR 72227

MESSAGE:

Millie -
Let's try again. If any of this doesn't
print, please call. These people are to meet
with the ambassador today.

Thank you,
Jerry

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WICHITA, KSKZSN AM
WICHITA, KS

The attached letter is self-explanatory. and her husband are dear friends of ours, and they are stuck in Paraguay.

Can you help? I know how active you've been on the adoption issue, and I know you care about mothers in distress.

Stephanie and I really appreciate your help.

Warmest regards,

Jerry

Asuncion, Paraguay, December 6, 1995

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton,

We are Americans in Paraguay awaiting finalization of the adoption of our children. Many of us have been here for more than 4 months and we are now faced with unprecedented and unexplained judicial delays. This is a particularly dire situation for us because the entire Paraguayan court system shuts down annually for the month of January (the last court day being 12/29). Upon return, we anticipate a backlog that will strand us here through February or March.

We are now faced with two untenable prospects. We can append another 2 or 3 months in Paraguay, separated from our spouses, children and other family members; risking job loss as family leave entitlements expire and enduring emotional stress. Or, we can return our children to substandard and understaffed foster homes, risking developmental regression as well as sacrificing the parent-child bond that has developed during these months together. As parents, we're certain that you can appreciate our dilemma.

We have been informed by our legal representatives in Paraguay that our situation will not improve without the assistance of the American Ambassador. To this end, we have contacted the Embassy and are scheduled to meet with Mr. William Harris and Mr. Eigel on Tuesday, 12/12.

We need your help. Any intervention, support or assistance that you can provide to the Embassy may allow and enable us to bring our children home. Thank you for your kind attention.

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SOUTHERN SKIES

12/8/95

ATCHLEY
PRESIDENT

Dear Hillary,

KESN FM
LITTLE ROCK, AR

P6/(b)(6)

KMVK FM
LITTLE ROCK, ARKZSN FM
WICHITA, KSKZSN AM
WICHITA, KS

The attached letter is self-explanatory.
[redacted] and her husband are
dear friends of ours, and they are stuck
in Paraguay.

Can you help? I know how active
you've been on the adoption issue, and
I know you care about mothers in distress.

Stephanie and I really appreciate your
help.

Warmest regards,

Asuncion, Paraguay, December 6, 1995

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton,

We are Americans in Paraguay awaiting finalization of the adoption of our children. Many of us have been here for more than 4 months and we are now faced with unprecedented and unexplained judicial delays. This is a particularly dire situation for us because the entire Paraguayan court system shuts down annually for the month of January (the last court day being 12/29). Upon return, we anticipate a backlog that will strand us here through February or March.

We are now faced with two untenable prospects. We can append another 2 or 3 months in Paraguay, separated from our spouses, children and other family members; risking job loss as family leave entitlements expire and enduring emotional stress. Or, we can return our children to substandard and understaffed foster homes, risking developmental regression as well as sacrificing the parent-child bond that has developed during these months together. As parents, we're certain that you can appreciate our dilemma.

We have been informed by our legal representatives in Paraguay that our situation will not improve without the assistance of the American Ambassador. To this end, we have contacted the Embassy and are scheduled to meet with Mr. William Harris and Mr. Eigel on Tuesday, 12/12.

We need your help. Any intervention, support or assistance that you can provide to the Embassy may allow and enable us to bring our children home. Thank you for your kind attention.

The undersigned

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE FIRST LADY

TO

NICOLE RAYNER

FROM

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SUBJECT: FLOTUS LETTER TO MRS. WASMOSY ON ADOPTION ISSUE

1. EMBASSY IS INSTRUCTED TO DELIVER THE FOLLOWING TEXT OF A DECEMBER 19 LETTER FROM FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON TO MRS. WASMOSY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SIGNED LETTER HAS BEEN FAX'D TO EMBASSY; ORIGINAL WILL BE POUCHED.

BEGIN TEXT:

DEAR MARIA TERESA:

I AM WRITING TO YOU ON BEHALF OF A GROUP OF AMERICAN PARENTS NOW IN ASUNCION TRYING TO ADOPT PARAGUAYAN CHILDREN, MANY OF WHOM HAVE WRITTEN TO ME ABOUT THEIR PERSONAL CONCERNS. AS MOTHERS, WE BOTH UNDERSTAND THE STRONG URGE OF THESE ADOPTIVE PARENTS TO UNITE THEIR FAMILIES IN THIS HOLIDAY SEASON. BUT AS SPOUSES OF PRESIDENTS, THE INTERVENING POLITICAL AND JUDICIAL REALITIES ARE NOT LOST ON US EITHER. I HOPE THAT THERE IS SOME MIDDLE GROUND THAT WILL ALLOW THE AUTHORITIES IN YOUR

COUNTRY TO PROCESS AS MANY LEGAL ADOPTIONS AS POSSIBLE IN THE COMING WEEKS.

AS I UNDERSTAND THE SITUATION, APPROXIMATELY FIFTY AMERICAN ADOPTION CASES ARE IN THE FINAL STAGES OF THE JUDICIAL PROCESS AT THE MOMENT. HOWEVER, IN CONNECTION WITH PARAGUAY'S ADMIRABLE JUDICIAL REFORM, MANY OF THESE CASES HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DELAYED. AS THE JUDICIAL SUMMER RECESS APPROACHES, THE ADOPTIVE AMERICAN PARENTS FACE THE PROSPECT OF PUTTING THEIR BABIES BACK INTO FOSTER CARE, PERHAPS FOR MONTHS, AND RETURNING TO THE UNITED STATES ALONE.

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I HOPE THERE IS SOME WAY TO MINIMIZE THE HEARTBREAK FOR BOTH THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS AND THE BABIES WHO HAVE BEEN BONDING WITH THEM, IN SOME CASES FOR MONTHS. I UNDERSTAND THAT OUR EMBASSY HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH YOUR JUDICIAL AUTHORITIES IN ASUNCION AND I KNOW THAT OUR DIPLOMATS ARE PREPARED TO COOPERATE IN ANY WAY TO MOVE THE ADOPTION PROCESS FORWARD.

THE PRESIDENT AND I WISH YOU AND PRESIDENT WASMOSY A WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON AND ALL SUCCESS IN 1996. THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY DURING THE FIRST LADIES HEMISPHERIC MEETING IN OCTOBER.

WITH WARM REGARDS, I AM

SINCERELY YOURS,

HILLARY (SIGNED)

HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON

END TEXT.

2. WHITE HOUSE DOES NOT PLAN PUBLIC RELEASE OF LETTER BUT HAS NO OBJECTION SHOULD MRS. WASMOSY WISH TO DO SO.

CHRISTOPHER

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Markie Post

December 6

Dear Hillary,

I hope this finds you, the President and Chelsea well and happy. We are all doing great, and have been so aware of what your family has been experiencing with the decisions that have had to be made lately. Just for the record, I am, as I find myself so often, proud of what the President is doing. It feels so right. I feel as if we as a nation are finding our purpose again. Our prayers, as always, are with you.

I am enclosing a FAX of a letter written to you by a friend of mine, who, as a single woman, is trying to adopt a Paraguayan child. She has lived a nightmare of bureaucracy down there for months now in a hotel room with her adoptive boy, P6/(b)(6) Her story is apparently all too common, and, while I understand there is nothing you can personally do, maybe you could direct me or her to American channels that might be of help. I know you were on a trip there recently, and maybe you got some insight into the problem.

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I will be writing a newsier letter with our Christmas card soon, but for now I wanted to deliver this missive from Paraguay. Thanks so much for any help you might be able to offer.

Love,

Markie

(my love to everyone -)

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Betsey Wright

Executive Vice President

MEMORANDUM

TO: Hillary Clinton
FROM: Betsey Wright *BW*
DATE: December 14, 1995
RE: Adoption of Paraguayan Children

I am hoping you can help 50 US families who have been stuck in Paraguay for months and months with the children they are adopting. December 31 is a terrifying deadline for them because all foreign adoptions get shut down at that point.

Part of the logjam is because the US encouraged the Paraguayans to institute some safeguards, but there seems to be no ability to recognize that what has now been put in place for these families are solid, adequate safeguards.

I am attaching a letter which has been sent to you by a friend of mine from the Carter Administration and which I am certain your staff is attending to. But I am hoping you can speed things up. The US Ambassador is out of the country and will be for awhile. And your good relations in Paraguay may be of great help.

I hope you can do something. I will certainly appreciate any effort you can make on their behalf. Many, many thanks.

Attachment

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P6/(b)(6)

Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
Office of the First Lady
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

December 13, 1995

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I am writing to seek your assistance in connection with the plight of a number of anxious American families who are currently in site in Paraguay awaiting judicial decrees which will allow them to take their adopted Paraguayan children back to the United States. I seek your aid as an outspoken and committed advocate of children's rights, but more importantly, as a concerned and compassionate parent.

I understand that you are already generally aware of the "procedural" delays being experienced by these families

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The families have, in turn, contacted the US Embassy, the State Department and a variety of elected officials in the House and Senate, but to date, the logjam remains.

The basic problem has two components - one procedural/political and the other more an issue of timing. Paraguay is currently in the midst of rewriting its foreign adoption laws and procedures. As a consequence, the US families (approximately 50 affected couples at this writing) have been told that at year end all adoptions will be suspended. Certain officials have "assured" the families that those applications already in process will be continued, but that no new applications will be accepted for at least a year (while the new regulations are developed and put in place). In addition, at the end of the year, much of the government will effectively shut down (until February or March) for the summer. The combination of these circumstances has necessarily elevated the anxiety levels of the candidate couples, many of whom have already been in country for four to six months, or longer, and whose jobs and lives back in the states are in an indefinite holding pattern. My brother and his wife have been in Paraguay on an almost continuous basis since July and the financial and emotional strain is becoming unbearable.

To further complicate matters, the newly appointed 3 judge panel in the Court of Minors (assigned to review the cases) appears hamstrung. Repeatedly, the families have been told by that the judges are taking the cases home on weekends to review the documents and relieve the backlog, yet nothing seems to move through the system. There is speculation that all of the judges are reviewing all of the cases and jointly discussing the relative merits and concerns, but that no decisions or official decrees are resulting.

While I fully appreciate the political sensitivity associated with inquiries made in connection with another nation's judicial procedures and the overriding concerns to ensure that the best interests of the children are protected, I can't help but think that there must be some appropriate measure that would satisfy the above concerns and concurrently expedite the resolution of appropriately documented cases. Under the existing adoption procedures, prospective parents must be interviewed and certified as acceptable. Further, the birth mother must voluntarily certify her willingness to give up the child for adoption (many of the affected children were already in orphanages or foster homes prior to the adoption process being initiated). In addition, there is public notification requirement and a prescribed waiting period before adoption can become final. And finally, there is the court review and adoption decree procedures. Surely these safeguards, if scrupulously applied, should be adequate to ensure that the system

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is not abused. Possibly, the adoption of a "checklist" mechanism could be used to expedite the resolution of the pending case backlog - to everyone's benefit.

Mrs. Clinton, I know that the demands on your time and requests for your personal intervention and attention must be enormous, but I would greatly appreciate any assistance your office could provide in resolving this situation. I would be pleased to discuss in greater detail any of the points outlined above at your convenience and can be reached locally

P6/(b)(6)

Thank you for your attention. I genuinely hope and trust that you can help these children and families.

Sincerely,

P6/(b)(6)

cc: Senator Dodd
Senator Lieberman
Rep. Rosa DeLauro

Dec. 15, 1995

Hi Lisa,

The following is a letter to Hillary that is a follow-up to a previous letter concerning some adoptive parents of Paraguayan babies. There has arisen a real need for further action if Hillary deems it necessary. Could you please be sure she sees this? I would have sent this by mail, but there is an extreme time factor.

I hope you're doing well, and keeping warm. Have a great holiday.

Thank you,

Markie Post

PS: If you need to talk to me, my number is 818-506-8663, my FAX is 818-506-6931. Thanks, Lisa.

Melanne -

*did someone call Markie
to advise of outcome?*

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Dec. 15, 1995

Dear Hillary,

I have heard from my friend [P6/(b)(6)] how quickly you moved on the Paraguayan adoption snafu, and I am so touched and grateful by your concern for the adoptive children of Paraguay as well as those incredibly frustrated parents-to-be staying in Ascension. Apparently things moved very quickly for at least a dozen people on the petition sent to you. (I guess by the group staying at the Hotel del Paraguay).

Unbelievably, my friend [P6/(b)(6)] case for some unknown reason has not moved at all, and she is there watching the people around her leave with their babies and, after ten weeks in a hotel room, she is still waiting. I am forwarding you a FAX she sent to me at wits end. She feels that a letter from your office on behalf of her would help her enormously when she goes to court this coming Monday.

Again, I trust you will do only what you feel comfortable doing. You have already done more than anyone could have expected, and it is with some misgiving I am writing to you now. I'd much rather be writing fun stuff to you, but [P6/(b)(6)] is a person who merits such concern and [P6/(b)(6)] of course, needs the woman he now considers his mother. It was only out of desperation that she even wrote to me, as she possesses a great deal of dignity and self-reliance.

All salient information is in the FAX, to do with what you will.

[P6/(b)(6)]

I'm signing off now. I've used up enough of your FAX paper.
Thank you, Hillary.

Love,

Markie

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WHITE HOUSE FOR FIRST LADY'S OFFICE (NICOLE RABNER)

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SUBJECT: PARAGUAYANS DELIVER RECORD ADOPTIONS BEFORE
JUDICIAL RECESS: A HAPPY ENDING, BUT PROBLEMS
REMAIN

REFS: (A) 95 ASUNCION 3977, (B) 95 STATE 291542

1. SUMMARY. A WELL-TIMED LETTER FROM FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, INTENSE LOBBYING BY THE EMBASSY AND TIRELESS WORK FROM OUR CONSULAR SECTION RESULTED IN A RECORD 90 ADOPTIONS COMPLETED UNDER THE WIRE BEFORE THE PARAGUAYAN JUDICIAL SUMMER RECESS. THIS OUTCOME IS A CREDIT TO USG ADVOCACY FOR AMERICANS ABROAD AND A GENUINE HAPPY ENDING FOR THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS. NEVERTHELESS, THE PARAGUAYAN ADOPTION SYSTEM IS STILL FRUSTRATING AND UNPREDICTABLE. WE WILL CONTINUE TO NEED DEPARTMENT HELP TO GET THAT WORD OUT TO THE AGENCIES AND TO THE ADOPTIVE PARENTS. END SUMMARY.

2. REF A AND PREVIOUS REPORTED THE SERIOUS BOTTLENECK OF U.S. ADOPTION CASES IN PARAGUAY AROUND CHRISTMAS. WITH THE NEARLY 2-MONTH PARAGUAYAN JUDICIAL RECESS LOOMING, 70-PLUS AMERICAN ADOPTIVE PARENTS IN ASUNCION APPEALED TO THE EMBASSY FOR HELP.

3. IN RESPONSE, EMBASSY ADVOCACY FOR THE BELEAGUERED AMERICANS HAS STEPPED UP, INCLUDING CONTACTS WITH

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PRESIDENT WASMOSY, SUPREME COURT PRESIDENT PACIELLO AND WITH EVERY MEMBER OF THE APPELLATE JUVENILE COURT.

4. HOWEVER, IT WAS ALMOST CERTAINLY A PERSONAL LETTER FROM FIRST LADY HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON TO MRS. WASMOSY (REF. B) WHICH MOVED THE ADOPTIONS ISSUE TO THE FRONT BURNER. ACTIVE FOLLOW-UP ON THE PARAGUAYAN SIDE BY MRS. WASMOSY'S CHIEF OF STAFF, LEILA RACHID, WAS ALSO A KEY FACTOR IN MOVING NOT ONLY THE COURTS, BUT ALSO THE CIVIL REGISTRY ~~WILL~~ ~~GO~~ PASSPORT OFFICE.

5. BY THE DECEMBER 31 DEADLINE, THE COURTS HAD SIGNED OUT 90 ADOPTION DECREES FOR U.S. CITIZEN PARENTS. THE EMBASSY CONSULAR SECTION HANDLED 25 PERCENT OF THE ENTIRE YEAR'S ADOPTIONS IN A WEEK, AND DID SO WITH EQUANIMITY AND PROFESSIONALISM -- DESITE FURLOUGHS AND NO PAY.

COMMENT

6. INTERNATIONAL ADOPTIONS IN PARAGUAY ARE TERRIBLY COMPLICATED AND THE FRUSTRATION LEVEL OF AMERICAN ADOPTIVE PARENTS GENERALLY RUNS FROM HIGH TO OFF THE SCALE. THIS EPISODE ENDED WELL. HOWEVER, WE CANNOT REALISTICALLY SUSTAIN THE LEVEL OF PRESSURE ON THE GOP APPLIED IN THE LAST 10 DAYS OF DECEMBER. FURTHERMORE, THE PARAGUAYANS ARE TRYING TO CLEAN UP THE ADOPTION PROCESS, IN PART, BECAUSE WE HAVE ASKED THEM TO. SOME DEGREE OF CHAOS WILL INEVITABLY PLAGUE THE REFORM EFFORT AND THIS WILL NOT BE LOST ON AMERICAN ADOPTIVE PARENTS. POST WILL CONTINUE TO NEED DEPARTMENT'S HELP IN WARNING AGENCIES AND PROSPECTIVE ADOPTIVE PARENTS ABOUT THE DELAYS AND FRUSTRATIONS OF ADOPTING IN PARAGUAY.

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BETSEY WRIGHT

Pam -

... my friends's
Paraguayan baby now
living in Conn -- thanks
& HRC & her staff!
... and the doll he
sleeps with!

Betsy
4/19/96

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006. photograph	adopted child (1 page)	01/06/1996	P6/b(6)

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009b. photograph	adoptive parent and child (1 page)	12/24/1995	P6/b(6)
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011b. photographs	adoptive parent and child (2 pages)	12/30/1995	P6/b(6)

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First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
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Dear Hillary:

Following up on our brief conversation at your book signing party yesterday about the upcoming United Nations Habitat II Conference in Istanbul, Turkey, women's issues are in deep trouble. I have just returned from the Final Preparatory Committee Meeting in New York where women could lose the gains made at the UN Social Summit in Copenhagen, the Earth Summit in Rio and the Women's Conference in China. Most of the government delegations to Habitat II are headed by males and they are not interested in the issues critical to women, including health, access to credit and the feminization of poverty as they relate to Habitat II.

June 3-14
Your presence in the Beijing at the UN Fourth World Conference on Women in the official meeting and at the NGO Forum sent a very powerful message to the global community that we as a nation affirm that women's rights are human rights. And if you didn't notice, nearly 30 other First Ladies took their cue from you and repeated what you said about women's rights. I listened to your speech in a room of 200 non-Americans and in your litany of violations of human rights, men and women went wild with applause because they had experienced exactly what you were talking about - female infanticide, bride burning, etc.

While I understand that this is an election year and that your schedule is full, I am pleading with you to head the official delegation to the UN Habitat II Conference in Istanbul and just come for few days. Please make the opening speech at the government meeting and head over to the NGO Forum for one day. It would have a profound and positive impact on decisions that will affect over half of the world's population.

Having worked with women throughout our global community for the past two decades (most recently as the Women in Development Coordinator for Peace Corps), I know firsthand that women worldwide are ready for a place at the policy and decision making table. Through the International Women's Democracy Center, a delegation of women leaders from Anacostia will facilitate workshops and participate in the Habitat II Conference in Istanbul.

Please, if there is anything I can do to help you get there, don't hesitate to call on me.

Warmest regards,

Barbara Ferris
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