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Dear Jessica:

As you prepare to depart the National Security Council staff, I want to express my appreciation for your contributions to U.S. policy toward Russia and the other New Independent States.

Your role in energizing the interagency process and in putting in place mechanisms to coordinate our response to the nuclear materials smuggling problem has markedly improved our ability to cope with this threat. You can take pride in your efforts to intensify the U.S. contribution to strengthening the control and accounting of nuclear materials in the NIS.

I also want to express my thanks for your assistance in crafting a policy to deal with the issue of Russian gun imports. This was a particularly thorny question, involving a host of foreign and domestic policy issues. You produced a policy recommendation that struck just the right balance between competing concerns.

I wish you the best of luck as you assume your new appointment at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University.

Sincerely,

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