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The Honorable Rex Tillerson Secretary of State U.S. Department of State 2301 C Street NW Washington, D.C. 20037

Dear Secretary Tillerson,

We write today regarding the tragic death of 22 year-old Bakari Henderson, an American citizen from Texas who was fatally beaten in Zakynthos, Greece on July 7, 2017.

As you know, Mr. Henderson was a recent graduate of the University of Arizona, and traveled to Greece to shoot photos for a clothing line he had started. On the morning of July 7, 2017, Bakari was brutally murdered by a gang of nine people. The events surrounding Mr. Henderson's death have led to multiple arrests in Greece, but at least two suspects have fled to their native country of Serbia.

While we appreciate Greek authorities' ongoing investigation, we ask for your continued special attention to this case and periodic updates. We respectfully urge you to utilize all diplomatic means available to ensure that the aggressors do not escape justice and that all involved are prosecuted to the highest extent of the law.

We join the Henderson family in calling for an expeditious investigation and trial to ensure justice for the murder of Bakari. It is the duty of the United States government to ensure that justice is served in matters involving American citizens no matter where the crime is committed.

Thank you for your continued support to the Henderson family during this difficult time and we appreciate your prompt attention to this issue.

Sincerely,

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