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Ambassador Spogli
United States Embassy
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Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Congratulations on your recent appointment as Ambassador to Rome. We, U.S. Citizens for Peace & Justice, a group of concerned citizens living in Rome, would like to meet you to discuss our government's war on Iraq and other aspects of U. S. foreign policy that we consider to be misguided.

We are inviting you to attend a rally on Saturday, September 24th from 5-7 pm, which will take place across from our U.S. Embassy on Via Veneto. The rally is in support of the massive protests that will be occurring simultaneously in Washington, DC, Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Paris, London, Madrid, Berlin, Dublin, Shannon, and Florence. If this time is not possible for you, we are requesting an arranged meeting at your convenience.

As citizens of the U.S., we are sickened by the killing, torture, the destruction and the spiraling human and financial costs of this illegal and immoral war and our government does not seem to be listening. This change of attitude, an incapacity to dialogue, seems clearer to us as we live abroad.

We would like answers from you as to:

--Why no "weapons of mass destruction" were found in Iraq just as the UN weapon inspectors had reported?

--Why the U.S. public was convinced that Saddam Hussein had links to Al Qaeda when there has been no proof of that fact?

--We join with Cindy Sheehan in asking, why so many U.S. servicemen and women have paid the ultimate sacrifice or have been maimed?

--Why the Iraqi people must continue to die by the thousands?

We are demanding that the U.S. government create a strategy to withdraw the troops and end its participation in this war.

Sincerely,

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