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## Republican National Committee

Office of the Chairman

The Honorable Donald Rumsfeld U.S. Department of Defense The Pentagon Washington, DC 20301

Dear Secretary Rumsfeld,

It our my pleasure to extend to you, on behalf of the Republican National Committee, a complimentary invitation for you and your guest to our Annual Presidential Gala on Wednesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>, 2003.

The Presidential Gala, honoring President George W. Bush, will be this year's premier event for the RNC. And, with excitement and enthusiasm building for the 2004 Presidential election, we expect the turnout to be outstanding. The invitation list includes GOP supporters from all 50 states, as well as Republican Members of Congress.

As it has been in the past, your heip during the upcoming Presidential election is essential. Your support will have a significant impact in our ability to retain the White House and improve upon our Republican majorities in Congress. We hope you can help by attending this important event.

The Gala will be held at The Washington Hilton, 1919 Connecticut Avenue, N.W. The cocktail and buffet reception will begin at 6:00 p.m.

Please mark the date on your calendar today, and please call Tricia Weir at 202-863-8720 to confirm your attendance or for any questions you may have. The RNC Annual Presidential Gala VIP invitation is non-transferable.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to seeing you on the evening of October 8<sup>th</sup>.

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