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Vice Premier Qian Qichen
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Dear Vice Premier Qian:

Thank you for meeting with me during my visit to China last week. Our discussion on the key foreign policy issues which determine U.S. - China relations was a very valuable step in furthering our efforts to work together for peace and stability in the Asia - Pacific region and the world as a whole. I see such discussions as critical to successfully advancing the mutual interests our military to military engagement as part of our state to state relationship.

Our dialogue demonstrated the stability of U.S. - China relations and revealed a general consonance in our global worldviews and interests. This allows for continuing steps to maintain the positive momentum in our relations as we move into the 21st Century.

I had a very full and productive schedule of meetings with senior government and military leaders in Beijing and in Shanghai leading to a very successful visit. My visit reaffirmed our view that it is clearly in the interests of both our great nations to work together to meet the challenges of the future. I look forward to continuing our cooperation.

Sincerely,