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Dear George,

Thank you for letting me know of the new effort to rid the world of nuclear weapons. It was always Ronnie's dream that the world would one day be free of nuclear arms. He felt that as long as such weapons were around, sooner or later they would be used. The result would be catastrophic.

I'm very encouraged that you are working on this important goal, and I know Ronnie would approve of the careful and serious way it is being approached. Each step is essential to bringing the vision closer to reality.

Ronnie had many hopes for the future, and none were more important to America and to mankind than the effort to create a world free of nuclear weapons. As Ronnie said, these are "totally irrational, totally inhumane, good for nothing but killing, and possibly destructive of life on earth." I agree and applaud your effort to create a safer world.

Thank you again for all you are doing, and please keep me informed of your progress.

Warmly,

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