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Dear Mr. KAKUSHADZE and Dear Mr. TAVELISHVILI:

I am President of the Health Physics Society. The Society consists of over 5,600 radiation safety professionals in over 40 countries and is the largest organization in the world devoted solely to radiation safety.

I recently had the opportunity to attend a briefing describing the recovery in Georgia of two very large Strontium-90 sources used for radiothermal generators. In addition, I reviewed a brief video tape showing the planning, rehearsal and actual recovery of the two sources. The radiation doses to the recovery team were exceptionally low particularly in view of the high radiation dose rate associated with the two sources.

Please convey my personal congratulations to the team for a job well done. Their effort was exceptional in view of the harsh winter conditions, the strength of the sources and the rugged terrain.

Sincerely,

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George Anastas

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