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To whom it may concern:

Randy Collins is the father of a child abducted to Japan on June 16, 2008, who has not seen his child since Father's Day, June 15, 2008.

I have known Mr. Collins since 2009 when he first shared with me his tragic story of losing contact with his son due to the decision of his ex-wife, Reiko Nakata Greenberg Collins, to abduct. You may know that Mr. Collins's ex-wife, now resident in Japan, violated two California Superior Court orders and has warrants for her arrest by the Orange County, California (USA) Sheriff's Department. Ms. Nakata is also on the FBI Most Wanted List for parental kidnappings and has a red notice issued by Interpol. Child abduction is child abuse, and it is an ongoing—unresolved—tragedy for Mr. Collins and his son Keisuke Collins.

Mr. Collins has served as a subject-matter expert for me behind the scenes in the crafting of legislation to address international parental child abduction, such as The Sean and David Goldman International Parental Child Abduction and Return Act (P.L. 113-150). He has also served as a witness at the recent U.S. House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee hearing on the State Department's implementation of the Goldman Act with Japan, July 17, 2015. I look forward to hosting a follow-up hearing after Mr. Collins returns with new insights into whether Japan's handling of abduction issues has changed since Japan signed the Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction.

Mr. Collins has also successfully channeled his suffering into positive change through his work at the California state level on SB 1206, Keisuke's Law. Named after his abducted son, Keisuke's Law will make it more difficult and costly for parents to abduct their children from California, and, among other improvements, allow the abducting parent's assets in state to be immediately frozen. Comforting and guiding other parents, Mr. Collins is also the Managing Director for BAC Home, an organization established to coordinate domestic and international efforts on behalf of left behind parents seeking access to and lawful return of their children from Japan.

Keisuke would be proud of his father, and should know all that his father has done to continue loving him and to have contact with him despite every obstacle of distance and deception by the mother. It is my sincere hope that, in every way possible, the Government of Japan will facilitate Mr. Collins's long-overdue access to his son, and that this tragic abduction will come to an end.

Sincerely,



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