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The Hon. Stuart F. Hamil President Judge Maryland Court Oakland, Maryland

Dear Sir:

I understand Lidge Schowgurow is to appear before you for sentencing on Thursday, August 25. I have known Lidge and all of his family since they came to America. Friends Neighborhood Guild took secondary sponsorship for the resettlement of the Kalmyks in America and we have found them to be a fine, hard working and honorable people. They have stood by one another in hard times and have supported their own aged and dependent members.

Lidge has been no exception to this. His family have supported his five children during the two years of his incarceration. I trust he will receive as light a sentence as you may impose and that he may be allowed to work and support his children and be a good father to them.

The tragedy was a terrible shock to all of us, including Lidge, and I feel convinced that he is not a danger to society now nor in the future.

Sincerely yours,

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Francis Bosworth
Executive Director



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