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August 24, 1984

Mrs. Geraldine Ferraro
U.S. Representative
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.
U.S.A.

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WASHINGTON OFFICE

Dear Mrs. Ferraro:

Please do not abandon the fight! "Give them hell"!... Blast Reagan with all your might. When he says the "Iran" incident humiliated America, tell him the killing of the 267 Marines and the bombing of the American Embassy in Lebanon, that was, YES, a humiliation. Carter brought the hostages back home ALIVE! Carter succeeded in making a Peace Agreement for the Middle East; he signed a SALT agreement with the Soviets; he officialized the diplomatic relations with China; he solved the Panama Canal problem, and no less important, his human rights policy made him loved by many people around the world. Who did not smile at the sole mention of "Jimmy"? And what is it that most people feel when Reagan's name is mentioned? Complete RAGE, to say the least. The Democrats did not send an army to kill a couple of black Granadians which were in their own land, doing their own thing.

The Europeans do not like Reagan either. He made a mess out of the U.S.-European relations when the Soviet gas pipe line was being constructed. He wanted the Europeans to sacrifice their economic interests. But he, himself, refused to stop selling grains to the Soviets, as if that did not mean "business" with the Soviets. He did not stop the deal with the Soviets even when the Russians killed 60 Americans in the Korean plane incident.

Republicans quickly pointed out the finger at you in the income tax incident, but they have never clarified the Ed Meese and his wife case, neither the case of the presents sent to Mrs. Reagan by the Japanese, via Richard Allen... And who knows what else!

Reagan's action in our Latin America is despiseful. We do not understand how the American people fail to see the Republicans are pushing the U.S. international prestige down the drain. And when he asks the Americans if "they are better off now than before" is something to laugh. He asks it to "his rich friends", but he does not dare to go to the sites where the poors are to make that kind of question.

Yes, Mrs. Ferraro, keep fighting and fight hard. Open the eyes of your fellowmen and ask them "to think", and not "to say amem" to all what those prepotent, liars Republicans say. Reagan said at the Convention that "they are a Party of action". But, OF NEGATIVE ACTIONS. Except for improving the U.S. economy, which has a merit, no doubt, they have made a mess out of everything else.

Good luck, Mrs. Ferraro. And hope to see you walking Pennsylvania Avenue in January 1985!

Brasilia, Brazil