Dear Ms. Berkley:

This is in response to your letter of June 4 regarding the Jerusalem Embassy Act. We appreciate the opportunity to address your concerns and sincerely regret the delay in responding.

In June, President Bush exercised the authority provided to him and issued the determination required to suspend the limitation on the obligation of State Department Appropriations contained in sections 3(b) and 7(b) of the Jerusalem Embassy Act. The Presidential Determination, along with the periodic report provided for under the Act, was transmitted to Speaker Hastert, Senate President Cheney, and key committee members on June 16, 2004. (A copy of that periodic report is attached.)

The Administration is committed to beginning the process of moving our embassy to Jerusalem. However, moving the embassy now would complicate our ability to play a helpful role in bringing an end to the current violence in Israel, the West Bank, and Gaza. Exercising the President's waiver authority preserves our ability to work with the parties and the key states in the region to bring about an end to the violence and terrorism. The President has also taken this action at this time because, absent the waiver, the Act would have denied to the Department of State further access to funds necessary to protect its personnel and missions worldwide so it can continue to pursue vital U.S. objectives.

The Honorable
Shelley Berkley,
House of Representatives.

REVIEW AUTHORITY: Charles Lahiguera, Senior Reviewer
We appreciate your insights and views on this issue and we hope the information that we have provided is useful. If we can be of assistance in the future on this or any other matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Paul V. Kelly
Assistant Secretary
Legislative Affairs
Report Pursuant to Section 6
Of Public Law 104-45

This report is submitted in accordance with Section 6 of Public Law 104-45, the "Jerusalem Embassy Act of 1995" (hereafter "the Act"), and covers the period December 16, 2003 to the date of this report. The Act provides for semi-annual reports by the Secretary of State, beginning at the time of the submission of the President's FY 1997 budget request, on the progress made toward opening an embassy in Jerusalem. The Act, in a policy statement, calls for establishment of an embassy in Jerusalem by May 31, 1999. If that is not done, the Act imposes limits on the obligation of certain funds, subject to a Presidential waiver authority. Section 3(b) of the Act would prohibit the Department of State access to 50 percent of funds appropriated for the security and maintenance of its missions worldwide.

The initial report to Congress under PL 104-45 outlined seven options for locating an embassy in Jerusalem, falling into two general categories: construction of a new facility or use of existing facilities. The time required to construct a new embassy would be approximately six years.

Regarding the use of existing facilities, we have explored various options: using existing facilities acquired by purchase, lease, or exchange and, if necessary, renovating them to meet our requirements; or using a temporary facility for some or all embassy operations, while constructing a new embassy. We have continued to survey real estate costs in Jerusalem, on both a lease and purchase basis, and analyze the security requirements that would have to be met, all in an effort to overcome any practical or legal obstacles to obtaining a facility.

The Bush Administration is committed to beginning the process of moving our embassy to Jerusalem. We are closely monitoring ongoing or planned private construction adjacent to the currently envisioned Jerusalem site for a new USG diplomatic facility and intervene with Israeli government authorities, when necessary, so as to ensure that our security standards can be met. We are working closely with the Government of Israel to preserve U.S. options for using this Jerusalem site based on requirements previously agreed to by the U.S. and Israeli governments. The bombings of our Embassies in Nairobi
and Dar Es Salaam, the September 11 terrorist attacks in the U.S., and more recent and continuing threats to our overseas missions underscore the need to address security concerns in planning for construction. The Jerusalem site, an area of approximately 31,250 square meters, offers some of the setbacks sought by these standards, but the standards could affect the placement, size and design of a structure or structures on the site. We will continue to monitor the Jerusalem site and its environs in light of our security requirements and protect our interests accordingly. We have continued our contacts with Israeli and local authorities in Jerusalem to find ways to increase the size of the site to meet U.S. requirements. In June 2001, we met with Israeli officials to discuss parcels north and east of the current site. At that meeting, the Israelis undertook to offer the U.S. government several parcels that would significantly improve the site's security profile. The offer was formalized in an exchange of diplomatic notes in May 2002, though it remains subject to various administrative and municipal approvals. We are continuing to discuss outstanding issues regarding the Jerusalem site with the appropriate officials.

We have also paid increased attention to a number of other issues of importance to the official American community in Jerusalem. For example, the American International School in Israel undertook, with the assistance of a grant from the State Department’s Office of Overseas Schools, to open a branch campus in Jerusalem. Following a series of meetings with parents and potential students, the Jerusalem American International School opened in September 2001, for pre-school and kindergarten students. In order to prepare for greater numbers of American diplomatic children, JAIS in September 2002 agreed, with support from the State Department, to expand its program to cover more elementary school grades. The school has expanded gradually over the past two years, and now covers Pre-K through grade four, and plans to add grade five next year.

We are not in a position to establish an embassy in Jerusalem at this time. Until this is possible the President is making use of the waiver authority provided in section 7(a) of the Act to suspend the Act’s restrictions on the State Department’s appropriations for overseas buildings. The U.S. is currently engaged with the parties and the international community to end the violence in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza, restore confidence between them, and resume negotiations. It is essential that the U.S. preserve its role as trusted
intermediary if it is to help the parties reach the goals they themselves want to achieve.

The President exercised his waiver authority because, absent the waiver, the Act would have denied the Department of State further access to funds necessary to protect our personnel and missions worldwide and to ensure their uninterrupted operation so that they can continue to pursue vital U.S. objectives. In this time of very real terrorist threats to U.S. missions and personnel abroad, the Department of State must have access to the funds necessary to secure our people and facilities from these threats. The absence of those funds could hamper our ongoing efforts to protect our personnel and missions abroad.

The pursuit of a just, lasting, and comprehensive peace in the Middle East has been a long-standing, bipartisan, top priority for U.S. foreign policy. A vital component for this undertaking is our support for and progress on Israeli-Palestinian negotiations. Significant violence has been ongoing in Israel, the West Bank and Gaza since September 28, 2000. We continue to work with the two sides to bring the violence to an end, restore confidence, and create the right environment for negotiations. The President's speech on June 24, 2002 set forth a vision for peace based on an end to violence, the transformation of Palestinian leadership and institutions, and the vision of two states living side by side in peace and security. The United States, in conjunction with the Quartet, then presented to the parties a roadmap for achieving President Bush's vision. This strategy has broad support both in the region and the international community, and we now see the possibility that the proposed Israeli withdrawal from Gaza could be a significant step towards achieving the goal of two states, if it is done in a manner consistent with the roadmap and the President's vision. Moving the embassy at this time would prevent us from continuing to play a helpful role, would deepen the Israeli-Palestinian crisis, and most likely lead to major security problems for our diplomatic missions abroad.
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President of the United States  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, DC

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We urge you to follow the intent of Congress, and relocate the U.S. embassy to the capital of Israel, Jerusalem.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Shelley Berkley

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July 15, 2004

TO: DEPARTMENT OF STATE

ACTION REQUESTED: DIRECT REPLY W/COPY

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DESCRIPTION OF INCOMING:

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DOCUMENT DATE: JUNE 04, 2004

TO: PRESIDENT BUSH

FROM: SHELLEY BERKLEY
UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
WASHINGTON, DC 20515

SUBJECT: URGES THE PRESIDENT NOT TO RENEW THE SEMI-ANNUAL
PRESIDENTIAL WAIVER OF THE JERUSALEM EMBASSY ACT OF
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FROM: Paul V. Kelly (H)

THRU: Peggy Cifrino

For my signature

For Paul Kelly's signature

Provide copy of Paul Kelly's response

COMMENTS:
June 4, 2004

Hon. Colin L. Powell
Secretary of State
U.S. Department of State
2201 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20520

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Shelley Berkley

Eliot Engel
July 9, 2004

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Respectfully yours,

David Hobbs
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Shelley Berkley
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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For Information: NSC
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The Honorable Joe Baca
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Dan Burton
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Washington, D.C. 20515

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Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable John Culberson
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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David Hobbs
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for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Artur Davis
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Lincoln Diaz-Balart
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Eliot Engel
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Assistant to the President
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The Honorable Tom Feeney
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Mark Foley
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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David Hobbs
Assistant to the President
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The Honorable Martin Frost
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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David Hobbs
Assistant to the President
for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Alcee Hastings
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Tim Holden
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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The Honorable Steve Israel
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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David Hobbs
Assistant to the President for Legislative Affairs

The Honorable Nita Lowey
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Maloney:

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The Honorable Carolyn Maloney
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative McCarthy:

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The Honorable Carolyn McCarthy
House of Representatives
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Dear Representative McNulty:

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The Honorable Michael McNulty
House of Representatives
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Dear Representative Nadler:

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The Honorable Jerrold Nadler
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Norwood:

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The Honorable Charles Norwood
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Pence:

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The Honorable Mike Pence
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Ros-Lehtinen:

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The Honorable Ileana Ros-Lehtinen
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Rothman:

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The Honorable Steven Rothman
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.  20515

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Dear Representative Saxton:

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The Honorable Jim Saxton
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Shadegg:

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The Honorable John Shadegg
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Souder:

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The Honorable Mark Souder
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Waxman:

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The Honorable Henry Waxman
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Dear Representative Weiner:

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The Honorable Anthony Weiner
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

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Dear Representative Lantos:

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