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Dear Lieutenant Maschek:

On behalf of the entire FBI, I want to thank you for your outstanding contributions to the joint investigation of the February 26, 1993, bombing at the World Trade Center.

The investigation into this terrorist attack was a collaborative effort among thousands of individuals from law enforcement and government agencies. Language support became a major concern when the FBI was unable to provide sufficient manpower to address all Arabic translation needs. The Department of Defense assisted greatly in meeting the immediate needs of the investigative team by providing capable language specialists like you. I am told you often worked seven days a week for extended periods of time to translate written and oral Arabic communica-The accuracy of your work and your expeditious handling of your assignments deserve special commendation. My colleagues in New York and I want you to know how grateful we are for your dedicated efforts to help achieve the goals of this investigative mission. You can certainly take pride in the critical role you played in the convictions of several individuals thus far. appreciate your vital support and wish you continued success throughout your military career.

Sincerely yours,

Louis J. Freeh Director

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