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The Honorable Edward F. Reilly
Chairman
United States Parole Commission
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Bethesda, Maryland 20815

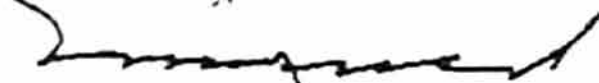
Dear Chairman Reilly:

Julienne E. Busic has contacted me regarding her husband, Zvonko Busic, who is currently serving a sentence at the Lewisburg, Pennsylvania federal prison. I am enclosing several letters which outline this case in more detail.

Ms. Busic has informed my office that Mr. Busic is scheduled to appear before the Parole Commission next month and I would like to take this opportunity to encourage your careful consideration of the circumstances pertaining to his sentencing. I understand Zvonko Busic was given a mandatory life sentence for his crime and has served seventeen years of this sentence. Judge Bartels, however, recommended parole after ten years of the sentence had been served. It has also been brought to my attention that due to the political nature of this crime, the former Yugoslavian government may have discouraged parole.

Your careful attention to this situation is sincerely appreciated. So that I may reply to Ms. Busic, I would be grateful for your comments on this matter. Please forward your response to my Portland office, One World Trade Center, 121 SW Salmon Street, Suite 1420, Portland, Oregon 97204, fax #(503) 326-3386.

Sincerely,



Mark O. Hatfield
United States Senator

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