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The Honorable Patrick Leahy  
433 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Leahy:

On behalf of the National Association of REALTORS®, I would like to invite you to speak before a group of international housing experts on the future of U.S. Foreign Aid on Tuesday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:00am here at the National Association of REALTORS® Washington Headquarters at 500 New Jersey Avenue, Washington, DC.

The National Association of REALTORS® is a founding member of the International Housing Coalition (IHC). The mission of the IHC is to promote the goal of “Housing for All” as an essential element to ending poverty worldwide, and gives high priority to housing the world’s poor and slum dwellers in support of the UN Millennium Development Goals.

The IHC Advisory Board will be holding a breakfast meeting to discuss the future of U.S. Foreign Aid, and critical issues relating to foreign assistance, including the lack of attention being given to urban development, housing and slum improvement. Invitees will include advocates from international development organizations who are members of IHC’s advisory board.

In the event your schedule precludes acceptance to our invitation, you may delegate a representative from your office. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Jim Freeman at (202) 383-1226.

Sincerely,

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