



*Embassy of the United States of America
Athens, Greece*

Office of the Ambassador

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Dear President Yannopoulos and Ms. Lazaridis:

Thank you for your joint letter of September 6 and for your concern for the American citizens who were affected by Hurricane Katrina.

Americans are endeavoring to help their fellow citizens and to come to terms with the tragedy. We appreciate your offer of assistance, and we encourage you to contact the Hellenic Red Cross, located at 1 Lychvitou, 210-362-1681, which is consolidating aid for the American Red Cross to more efficiently and fully represent the generosity of the Greek people. Children are often the most vulnerable victims of a disaster, and your offer to reach out to them is generous.

On this occasion, as on so many others, we are comforted by the good wishes and material support of our good friends. Thank you very much.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

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