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Dear Mrs. Libertino,

I wish to take this opportunity to personally express my sincere respect and gratitude to You. Through Your mission of peace, You have once again proven Yourself to be a woman of great strength, courage, determination and good will, and on the behalf of the people of the FR of Yugoslavia, as well as on my own behalf, I may assure You that Your humanitarian action has not only significantly helped those in need, but it has also moved us deeply, and reaffirmed our trust in such friends who are always prepared to put their human concern and humanitarian goals above all.

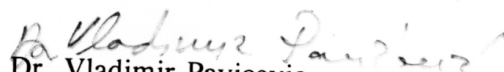
As You have personally witnessed, our country is going through a period of great difficulties which is harshly affecting the innocent and most vulnerable part of our nation - our children. Even though they are not directly affected by war activities, today they live in conditions of isolation not yet known to the history of humanity, whose most tragic consequence is the threat to their survival. You have been witness to our tragedy - helpless doctors who lack in elementary medical and diagnostics supplies, and even food to nourish their little patients, coming from almost all parts of former Yugoslavia. Our children are growing up together with 250,000 children refugees of all nationalities, of which 1,200 have lost both parents during the war disasters, and all of them, with no discrimination, can be treated, and are being treated at the hospital where You have sent aid.

Therefore, in such a misfortunate situation, every helping hand and support is more than welcome - in fact, it is of existential importance. Your gesture, Your engagement and efforts in collecting humanitarian aid for the children treated at the University Children's Hospital, has proven that Your primary goal is only humanitarian, and that Your concern is to help children, regardless of their nationality, which makes Your gesture of even greater importance.

Thanks to Your humanitarian activities, and to the contributions of Your friends, we still have hope in people of good will, who shall always be remembered as friends and remain in the hearts of the people of the FR of Yugoslavia.

Once again, Mrs. Libertino, on behalf of those You have helped, as well as on my own behalf, I thank You. Please accept my sentiments of deepest respect and gratitude.

Sincerely Yours,

  
Dr. Vladimir Pavicevic