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Aug. 17, 1984

U.S. Representative
Geraldine Ferraro
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

Dear Rep. Ferraro

Congratulations on your nomination as
the Democratic vice presidential candidate.

It is encouraging to see women more & more
involved in ^{high} national office and national politics.

I would like to express my extreme
disgust with President Reagan's "bombing in
five minutes" "joke". His ~~statement~~ "humorous" statement
before a radio address seems to reflect the
jingoistic, militaristic policies which his
administration has been pursuing all over the
world for the last 3 years. It is extremely
irresponsible for a president to refer to
the destruction of an entire nation and its
people ~~in~~ in

such - a
cavalier fashion. Reagan obviously cares
nothing about the responsibilities of world
leadership. It shows that the current
administration, largely purged of its more
moderate, reasonable voices, has reached a
new low in leadership style.

P The U.S. government should put all its energies into negotiating a mutually verifiable ^{U.S. Soviet} freeze on the production deployment and testing of nuclear weapons. Currently Reagan's main effort is to develop as many weapons systems as possible (including the wasteful, dangerous first strike weapon, the MX, and the B-1 bomber) with little thought to the deficit. The President apparently has no desire to negotiate seriously with the Soviets, as all previous administrations have done. Reagan has avoided many opportunities for an East-West summit, and the U.S. proposals in the START talks were unrealistic, helping to torpedo them.

The policies of the Democrats in this election are very reasonable in the area of military spending, intervention abroad, and foreign policy in general. The convention reminded us that there is a reasonable, fair alternative to the current negativism of the Reagan presidency. Best of luck in your effort to win the vice presidency.

Please let me know your views on these issues.

My address:

[Redacted address lines]

West Hartford Ct. [Redacted]

sincerely

[Redacted signature]

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