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Letter from a Supporter in New Zealand to Geraldine Ferraro

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Dear Congressman Ferraro,

I have no doubt that the many citizens of the world yearn deeply for world peace. It would seem, however, that this goal remains ever more elusive as the years go by. We do not seem to be able to face up to the reality that there is but one planet, one globe, and one race of human beings. We proudly display new methods of communication, yet this seems to be our biggest problem; we just can't talk to each other.

Having accepted these facts we must realise that we are at the brink of a major nuclear conflict. I'm sure you understand the immediacy and seriousness of our problem. People in New Zealand sense a desire for peace, and we recently elected a Government committed to the first steps to stemming the tide of nuclear madness by declaring New Zealand a Nuclear Weapon Free Zone.
This means barring American ships which may be carrying nuclear weapons from goodwill trips to New Zealand. There is and will be considerable pressure from the USA to withdraw this ban. I ask you, on behalf of my two children, and the children of the world, to understand that this is not a gesture hostile towards the USA, but a plea to those in power in the USA to come to their senses. I hope and pray that you will endeavour to support us.

In peace, 

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