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Dear Linc:

Many thanks for the copy of your thoughtful letter to Sam De Palma.

I wholeheartedly agree with you that it will be most unfortunate to say the least if the United Nations fails to act meaningfully on the terrorism question.

I believe our approach has been imaginative and that we have enunciated the point in our speeches that a failure of the United Nations to act on this issue would be harmful not only in terms of its effect on acts of terrorism but on the credibility of the United Nations. Enclosed please find a copy of Tap Bennett's statement on the item in the Sixth Committee. You will note that it includes a recognition of the importance of the item on its own terms and to the United Nations as well as some indication of the alternative possibility of the "coalition" approach.

You may rest assured we will be pursuing this matter vigorously. Any further ideas you might have will be most welcome.

Best regards,

  
George Bush

Enclosure:  
Statement  
on terrorism.