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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about war in Venezuela. Your presidency has so far avoided war. Tension with Iran has risen. We have supported Saudi Arabia with the horrible violence in Yemen. Attacks against Ukrainians, Rohingya and Uyghurs have been largely ignored but at least we have avoided war. I now worry that the US military may intervene in Venezuela. The situation there remains dangerous with current US policy having little effect and a failed coup attempt this week. Mr Guaido has hinted at requesting US intervention and Secretary Pompeo is asserting your right to comply without consulting congress and relying largely on the advice of political appointees. You campaigned on bringing US troops home and not sending them away is a big part of that. It is hard to see anything but political and humanitarian disaster coming from military intervention.

*Please assure me that you will keep US troops out of Venezuela.*

I am very proud to be a US resident and a large part of that derives from our military restraint.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson