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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned for USAID.

Despite the extensive documentation of the easily predicted horrific effects- hospitals closing and leaving their patients to die, medications expiring in warehouses after shipping contracts were cut off killing tens of thousands who relied on these deliveries- Secretary Rubio is responding by simply lying about what is happening, inventing numbers and refusing to provide even a shred of evidence for congressional committees. Now he plans to continue destroying what remains of the far flung, stunningly effective and remarkable cheap USAID structure. At a tenth of a percent GDP it was a fifth of what many European countries provided. A truly shocking amount of damage has already been done but resuscitating the agency remains the only moral course.

Please assure me that you will rebuild USAID.

My pride in the US derives in part from our global reach.

Sincerely,

Eric Babson