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Dear Senator Harris:

I am concerned about incoherent foreign policy. In a recent Fox interview the president opined that he alone matters in this regard, a position he backs up by eviscerating the State department. He has withdrawn the US from most international trade questions and made frightening threats around nuclear weapons. Governor Brown and some other local leaders have made moves to negotiate pollution limits and even trade policy directly but a national voice would be much more effective. The Senate is in a position to fill the void. The Senate's war powers should be interpreted to include a veto on the use of nuclear weapons. The Senate's treaty powers should be interpreted to include negotiation as well as ratification. Our three branch system should be able to withstand this complete abdication by the executive.

*Please assure me that you will move to normalize foreign relations.*

I am very proud to be a US citizen and a large part of that derives from our world leadership.

Sincerely,  
Eric Babson