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Dear Senator Harris:

I am concerned about Puerto Rico. Since September when you signed a letter to the President far too little has changed. The recovery remains in emergency response mode even as many federal responders are leaving. The exodus to the mainland of the better part of a generation continues apace. The executive has produced its by now familiar half-ass response: requesting minimal funding, lacking any obvious focus, suspending only briefly shipping restrictions along with blaming others-including a direct public feud with Mayor Cruz-and a bit of open corruption with a boondoggle contract for friends of Zinke. Once again the Senate is called on to take up the slack and push for a response and investigation absent a presidential request. This fiasco also highlights the need for a more effective status (such as statehood) for Puerto Rico.

Please assure me that you will act to help Puerto Rico.

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

s Sincerely,
Eric Babson