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Dear Mr President:

I am concerned about graft. It is amusing to speculate on reasons for your tax return saga particularly with the single page hint from a couple years back. Maybe it is traces of the illegal transfers from your father years ago or of more recent payments for sex or money from the Russian mob to launder. Maybe it is just how poorly your company was doing before the infusions from people looking for government favors. The stonewalling is damaging our government by asserting a near absolute right to ignore congress and the law. The Treasury Department consulted with the white house before ignoring the IRS Chief Counsel and House Ways and Means Committee as well as the law to withhold your returns. This week the Justice Department argued in court that the New York case against you for which your returns would be evidence should be dropped arguing essentially that the President is above the law. Even your audit apparently is being manipulated with further news this week of an IRS whistle-blower report.

Please assure me that you will publish your tax returns.

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

Sincerely, Eric Babson