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Mr. J.W. Marriott Jr.  
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer  
Marriott International, Inc.  
10400 Fernwood Road  
Bethesda, MD 20817

**Re: Hosting Iran-Germany Business Forum in Hamburg**

Dear Mr. Marriot:

United Against Nuclear Iran ("UANI") has learned that the Marriot Courtyard Hamburg Airport Hotel ("Marriot") will host a meeting to promote German-Iranian trade on November 22, 2010. The program is entitled "Iran Business Forum: Possibilities to invest in Iran's North-Western provinces." The Iranian Ambassador to Germany, Ali Reza Sheikh Attar, is scheduled to deliver the opening address.

By this letter, UANI requests that the Marriot immediately clarify and reconsider its decision to host the Iran Business Forum and decline to host the Iranian Ambassador.

Ambassador Attar represents a criminal regime that flouts international law in developing an illegal nuclear weapon; brutally represses its own people and is the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism

Your decision to facilitate an event dedicated to increasing the level of economic cooperation between Germany and Iran runs directly counter to the efforts of the international community to isolate the Iranian regime. In June of this year, the United Nations imposed its fourth round of sanctions on Iran. (United Nations Security Council Resolution 1929, June 9, 2010) In the two months following this action by the United Nations, the United States, the European Union, Canada, Australia, Japan and South Korea all imposed additional sanctions. Taken together, the foregoing represents a united effort by the U.S., Germany, EU and international community to stand in opposition to Iran's intransigence and defiance of international law.

In light of the international community's efforts to isolate the Iranian regime diplomatically and economically, UANI denounces in the strongest possible terms any decision by the Marriot to host the Iran Business Forum and Ambassador Attar and calls upon the Marriot to join the international community in isolating Iran and condemning the Iranian regime by refusing to host the Iran Business Forum and Ambassador Attar.

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**Ambassador Mark D. Wallace | President & CEO | MWallace@uani.com**

If the Marriot continues with its plans to serve as a host to the Iran Business Forum and Ambassador Attar, UANI will take action against the Marriot hotel chain worldwide. UANI will call on its activists to peacefully protest your properties, and will call for a general public boycott of all Marriot properties. Moreover, please consider this letter a formal request to all Marriot properties to decline any and all hotel reservation and/or event reservation booking requests made by the Iranian government worldwide.

By providing accommodations for the Iranian Ambassador at an event singularly conceived for the purposes of promoting increased trade between Germany and Iran, the Marriot is facilitating the Iranian regime's ability to counter the effects of multilateral sanctions intended to isolate an illegitimate dictatorship that engages in conduct that threatens international peace and security, and is an egregious human rights violator.

Please be advised that as a result of your plans to host the Iran Business Forum and Ambassador Attar, UANI will list the Marriot on its Iran Business Registry (IBR). UANI maintains on its website a database of corporations that conduct business in or with Iran. Please visit [www.uani.com/ibr](http://www.uani.com/ibr) for more information.

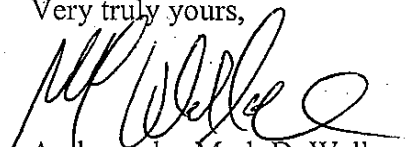
By refusing to host the Iran Business Forum and Ambassador Attar Marriot would be sending a clear message that Iran's illicit conduct and brutal repression of its own people will result in Iran's further isolation. By way of background, many hotels in the New York City area followed the responsible course of action and refused to host the Iranian delegation when they attended the annual United Nations General Assembly this past September. In giving priority to the promotion of human rights and security interests over short-term profits, they joined the ranks of other responsible multinational corporations such as General Electric, Huntsman, Caterpillar, Ingersoll Rand, KPMG, Ernst & Young, PricewaterhouseCoopers and Siemens, all of which have recently either severed their business ties with the Iranian regime or announced that they will not pursue new business with Iran. This past September, the German steelmaker ThyssenKrupp similarly announced they were halting their business dealings in Iran.

In the event that the Marriot fails to reconsider its decision to host the Iran Business Forum and Ambassador Attar, we are confident that our call for a boycott of all Marriott properties will result in lasting damage to your image and loss of business. Rest assured we do not seek to harm any business gratuitously, but understand that the danger that a nuclear-armed Iran poses to national and international security is too great to ignore.

Given the urgent nature of this issue please let us hear from you by November 22, 2010.

I look forward to your response.

Very truly yours,



Ambassador Mark D. Wallace

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