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Mr. President,

At this crucial turnaround of History, your success in the presidential election embodies the change that occurred in the United States of America. I express you my warmest congratulations for your outstanding victory, which is also a big success for the American people. It carries change but it also carries hope. Through your success, America enters a new era. Gathered around François Bayrou, the French Democratic Party Leader, in Paris, we followed the election results, state by state, all night long with hundreds of democrats, before we could celebrate your victory.

International visitor invited by the Clinton administration, I pay great attention to the American international policy and I expect that you will support and strengthen the friendly relations that our two continents, and more specifically our two countries have developed over the years. On my part, I will keep and even reinforce the long-lasting links I built with the American officials in France and in charge of the European Union.

Your election will help a closer dialogue on the convergence Europeans and Americans have such as climate change and financial regulation. As a member of the European Parliament, I support the Parliament President's wish to invite you to speak and make an address to the European Representatives in Strasbourg, France.

I would also be very pleased to welcome you personally in my district of the "Grand Est de la France", which includes Strasbourg, next time you come to Europe. I keep in mind that this part of France has been freed from Nazis troops during World War II thanks to the American soldiers. Therefore, I would be honored if you accepted my invitation to pay a visit to this part of France, vivid symbol of the strong Franco-American friendship.

Please, accept again all my best wishes for your new position as elected President of the United State of America. God bless you and bless America!

Best regards.

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