

INTRODUCTION

Hi, I'm [your name], a constituent and voter from [your town/county/city/state]. I'm a member of the United Nations Association of the USA, a grassroots movement of Americans dedicated to supporting the vital work of the United Nations. My local chapter is UNA [chapter name]. Normally during this time of year, we'd be holding this meeting on Capitol Hill, as part of our UNA-USA Global Leadership Summit.

While this year is different, our message is the same: we need the UN more than ever.

As the UN celebrates its 75^{th} anniversary this year, our planet is undergoing a devastating health, economic, and racial injustice crisis. At the same time, this administration has repeatedly sought to retreat the U.S. from the world stage. As Americans, we believe that our nation has a moral responsibility to lead and shape the future we so desperately need—but we can't do it alone!

That's why I'm asking you to support strong U.S. leadership at the UN. Here's how you can help:

OUR CORE ASK

As you know, the president's budget request slashes our engagement and financial support for the UN. This move is critically shortsighted and endangers our health and security. Today, the UN's efforts to promote peace and stability help make the U.S. stronger and safer. That's why I'm asking you today to ensure we fully fund our UN Peacekeeping and Regular Budget dues for Fiscal Year 2021.

OUR GLOBAL HEALTH ASK

The COVID-19 pandemic is irrefutable proof that international cooperation matters. But when I found out that the president decided to terminate our country's relationship with WHO, I was alarmed and disappointed. The bottom line is that we cannot defeat COVID-19 unless we work together with our allies and partners around the world. Our country must resume its role in WHO immediately.

OUR RACIAL JUSTICE ASK

As UN advocates, human rights are at the forefront of our grassroots work. That's why I'm asking you to support H.Con.Res.100, which calls for the formation of a U.S. Truth, Racial Healing, and Transformation Commission. This is a long overdue step in our country's fight against racial injustice and reflects the principles and processes the U.S. and the UN have advocated for since its founding 75 years ago.

PUT YOUR STORY BEHIND THE ASK

- Why are YOU passionate about the work of the UN?
- How did YOU get involved with UNA-USA?
- What UN issues are YOU advocating for in your community?
- How have these issues impacted YOUR life?

CONCLUSION

As a founding member of the UN, we need to honor the vital progress we've made over the past 75 years. But without continued international cooperation, that progress is in danger. Global challenges must be met with global solutions—that's why I implore you to keep working with the United Nations during this unprecedented time.