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I send warm greetings to the members of the United Nations Association of the United States of America and to the staff at the United Nations Foundation as you celebrate United Nations Day.

Seventy-six years after the United Nations emerged following the devastation of World War II, we again stand in a moment of great pain but extraordinary possibility. As I said when I addressed the United Nations General Assembly for my first time as President—we, the global community, are challenged by urgent and impending crises wherein lie enormous opportunities if we can summon the will and resolve to seize these opportunities. Today, the United States remains firmly committed to the values that are embedded in the United Nations' charter. By the power of our example and through relentless diplomacy, I have called on all nations to come together and reaffirm the inherent humanity that unites us to tackle the challenges of our time.

Organizations like the United Nations Association of the USA and the United Nations Foundation support the vital importance of the United Nations and the United States' leadership within it. As a founding member of this international organization, our Nation is committed to rebuilding our alliances and revitalizing our engagement on the world stage. Since taking office, we have rejoined the Paris Climate Agreement, restored our membership in the World Health Organization, secured election to the Human Rights Council, contributed \$15 billion toward the global COVID-19 response, and sent more than 160 million doses of the COVID-19 vaccine worldwide. Even with this extraordinary progress, we know there is much more to do.

The United Nations remains critical to advancing security, climate, and foreign policy interests across the globe. May we all renew our shared commitment to build a future that advances peace, dignity, and security for all.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe Biden". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline that extends to the left.