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Dear Sandra:

Thanks so much for your participation in the Congressional briefings on "Confronting the AIDS Crisis: Moving Forward From the Durban XIII International AIDS Conference" on Capitol Hill on July 26th. I heard from staff on both the Senate and House side that your presentation summarizing the Administration's commitment to this issue was very valuable.

It is wonderful that we are finally seeing the awakening of a long-delayed political interest in the AIDS pandemic in Africa. I look forward to continuing to work with you educate Congress and the public to strengthen the response to the HIV/AIDS crisis.

Warm best wishes,

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Dear Ms. Thurman:

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As a follow-up to the XIII Annual AIDS Conference held in Durban, South Africa last week, we at the Global Health Council, along with UNAIDS and Merck & Co, Inc., are sponsoring a congressional briefing. I would like to extend an invitation to you to speak at our event, which is entitled, "Confronting the AIDS Crisis: Moving Forward from Durban 2000."

The briefing will be an update on the issues confronted and plans for action generated from the meeting in Durban, and will take place on **Wednesday, July 26**, from **1:00-3:00 p.m.** in **Room 2255, Rayburn House Office Building**.

Hosting the event are the following Members of the House of Representatives: Joseph Crowley (D-NY), Sam Gejdenson (D-CT), Benjamin Gilman (R-NY), Amo Houghton (R-NY), Jim Leach (R-IA), Barbara Lee (D-CA), Jim McDermott (D-WA), and Connie Morella (R-MD).

The program will feature additional speakers, including:

- Jerry Coovadia, Chair, XIII International AIDS Conference
- Danny Glover, Actor and UNDP Goodwill Ambassador
- Sophia Mukasa-Monico, Executive Director, TASO, Uganda
- Jeffrey Sturchio, Executive Director, Public Affairs, Europe, Middle East & Africa, Merck & Co., Inc.

We would warmly welcome your perspectives and comments. Please be aware that we are currently talking with Senate staff about coordinating a smaller, breakfast briefing on the morning of the 26th. We will keep you updated as this event comes together. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Carol Miller, Director, Public Policy, Global Health Council (202-833-5900, cmiller@globalhealth.org).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nils".

Nils Daulaire, MD, MPH
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