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Mr. Joe Moakley Congressman Mass. USA.

Dear Br. Moakley:

I was thinking how to address you at the beginning of this letter, finally I did not found better way than to call you Brother, my elder brother () gege) as we respetfully said in chinese.

I am the brother of Ignacio; the last 35 years I stayed in this Island that in the maps of U.S. appear so tiny and so far. Your name became familiar when I went to EL SALVADOR for the first anniversary of the massacre of the UCA martyrs.

From that time on, it was a constant desire in myself to thank you for your dedication and courage as Chairman of the Speaker's Task Force on EL SALVADOR.

During the time of the massacre I was "in exile", in Spain. The Government of Taiwan invited me for a compulsory 11 months vacations, outside Taiwan, because I was not doing missionary work but "subversive" activities among workers.

Last week, a friend from California sent to me the remarks given by you at UCA, on July 1, 1991. Being myself in a foreign country for so long I appreciate your courage and wisdom of your talk.

I do not represent anyone except myself and perhaps the 'Ellacuria family' but, I believe that among the relatives of all'8 martyrs of UCA there is the same feeling: sincere thanks for so much you are doing to clarify the truth. May He bless you and your work for ever.

Fraternally yours,

Jose Ellacuria, s.j.