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The Honorable [full name] [Room #] [House Office Building] United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515	The Honorable [full name] [Room #] [Senate Office Building] United States Senate Washington, DC 20510
The Honorable [full name] [District Office]	The Honorable [full name] [District Office]

[Date]

Dear Representative [Name]:	Dear Senator [Name]:
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[Your Organization] urges [Representative or Senator Name] to protect the important charitable work of international grantmaking organizations when considering any legislative changes that affect tax-exempt organizations.

[Tell about your organization. What is your mission? What areas of the world benefit from your grants? Give a specific example of a grantee that is thriving with your financial support.]

With an unwavering commitment to the eradication of poverty and the promotion of social justice, international grantmaking organizations often fund projects of hope and opportunity in vulnerable communities. However, this philanthropic work depends on fair-minded laws that narrowly address the legislative need without unnecessarily hindering the important charitable work of international grantmaking organizations.

Recent and budding changes to federal tax law, coupled with broad counter terrorism measures, have created a number of harmful, though unintended, consequences. One recent example is the [“U.S. Department of the Treasury Anti-Terrorist Financing Guidelines: Voluntary Best Practices for U.S.-Based Charities”](#) (“Guidelines”). Unfortunately, these Guidelines encourage grantmakers to adopt unrealistic and unconstructive processes for preventing the diversion of charitable funds to terrorism. Thus, philanthropic money that funds, for example, farming projects or support for tsunami victims is delayed or discontinued.

[Your organization name] would appreciate any opportunity to speak with you or your staff regarding our philanthropic work and our areas of concern. Please contact [contact name, phone number and email address] so we can schedule a brief meeting.

Sincerely,

[Name]
[Organization]