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The Honorable Juan Orlando Hernández Alvarado  
President of the Republic of Honduras

Dear President Hernández,

I am writing to you as Vice Chair of Conservation International. Our mission at Conservation International is to value and protect nature for the well-being of people. Dr. Trond Larsen, who leads our Rapid Assessment Program, has recently returned from an initial biological assessment of the rainforest surrounding the "White City" archaeological site in La Mosquitia. His conclusion is that this site has seen very little human activity for at least five hundred years and is one of the healthiest tropical forests in the Americas.

I would like to congratulate you for your commitment to protecting La Mosquitia. Your actions stand as an example of what responsible government leaders and institutions must do to sustain and care for our precious natural and cultural resources. Our hope is that the Honduran government, supported by Conservation International and other local and international scientists, will continue to catalyze deeper conservation actions for this extraordinary, globally significant ecological and cultural treasure.

My sincerest congratulations to you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Harrison Ford", written in a cursive style.

Harrison Ford  
Vice Chair  
Conservation International