

May 6, 2005

Hon. Richard G. Lugar
Chairman,
Senate Foreign Relations Committee
Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Lugar:

The attached letter is co-signed by former presidential appointees, career and non-career Civil Service and Foreign Service employees who knew and worked with John Bolton from 1989-1993. These people and many more have indicated their strong support for Secretary Bolton. For example, John's former supervisors including former Secretary of State James A. Baker III, former Under Secretary for Political Affairs Robert Kimmitt, and I, have publicly expressed our full confidence and support for John, and our belief that he will be a superb representative of the United States in the United Nations.

The attached letter demonstrates that many of those who worked for or with him share this belief. I personally know if others who now hold positions in the United Nations or the State Department who support John, but for "conflict of interest" reasons prefer to express that support through private letters to you and your colleagues.

Sincerely,



Lawrence S. Eagleburger

Hon. Richard G. Lugar
Chairman
Committee on Foreign Relations
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

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Dear Mr. Chairman,

We are former presidential appointees, career and non-career Civil Service and Foreign Service employees who knew and worked with John Bolton in his capacity as Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs under the leadership of Secretaries James A. Baker III and Lawrence S. Eagleburger from 1989-1993. While we have followed John's nomination to serve as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations with great interest and enthusiasm, the recent and unreasonable attacks on his character and integrity during his Senate confirmation process have precipitated this letter of support; we only regret that we did not act sooner in conveying our views and strong support for his nomination.

Despite what has been said and written in the last few weeks, John has never sought to damage the United Nations or its mission. Quite the contrary --under John's leadership the organization was properly challenged to fulfill its original charter. John's energy and innovation transformed IO from a State Department backwater into a highly appealing work place in which individuals could effectively articulate and advance U.S. policy and their own careers as well. During the Persian Gulf War, John played a significant and substantive role in achieving the numerous Security Council resolutions adopted during the first Bush administration. He was also deeply engaged in matters beyond the spotlight of the Security Council, including refugees, human rights, development, democracy, food aid, UN management and budgets. His call for a "unitary UN" guided and motivated the IO bureau to promote consistent and productive practices across the entire gamut of UN organizations. John championed this concept in order to fashion a more effective United Nations, and a signal achievement in this regard was his effort to repeal the execrable "Zionism is Racism" resolution, which was a stain on the credibility of that institution. It is this laudable record of professional achievement in IO that we were privileged to witness, as well as over three decades of public service to this country, which define his character and capabilities.

We are proud to have served with John, and grateful for his leadership, integrity, and vision. The allegations about his abuse of subordinates simply do not accord with our experience while he was Assistant Secretary for International Organization Affairs. His treatment now before the Committee on Foreign Relations is thus particularly disturbing and disheartening to those who have been fortunate enough to work for and with him. We hope this letter will help set the record straight and inform your committee's decision.

Sincerely yours,

Letter to Senator Lugar supporting John Bolton, May 6, 2005 signed by:

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