



THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

April 22, 2005

Dear Ms. Ohanesian:

I am pleased to join with your many friends in Connecticut as they honor you as the oldest living survivor of the Armenian Genocide.

Each spring, we pause to remember this terrible event, and to honor the memory of those who were lost. At this time, it is also fitting that we celebrate the many contributions you and generations of Armenian Americans have made to our nation and to its character.

Lynne joins me in wishing you all the best on your 100th birthday and on this important occasion.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dick Cheney". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long, sweeping underline.

Ms. Maritza Ohanesian
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