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Dear Nisar,

Mr. Nisar Khan

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Pashtun Cultural Center

Director

This is just a short note to congratulate you on the publication of the souvenir book being published by Pashtun Cultural Institute.

While I have never been to Pakistan or the North West Frontier Province, I have heard many stories from my Pakistani-American friends about the beauty of the Hindu Kush Mountains, as well as reading books when I was a child about the famous "Khyber Pass." Certainly there are few areas of the world more interesting culturally than the North West Frontier Province, given that it has been occupied at various times by the Aryans, Turks, Greeks, Persians, Mongols and Moguls, all of which I understand have left a part of their culture behind. I very much look forward to visiting the North West Frontier Province when I do visit Pakistan, which I hope is in the not too distant future.

Good luck in your very important work promoting and preserving the Pathan Culture, and please keep in touch!

Sincerely

Tim Johnson U.S. Senator

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