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1. FYI the President is mailing to Prime Minister Baunsgaard following letter:

2. QUOTE Dear Mr. Prime Minister: In these closing hours of my Administration, I bid you farewell and thank you for your help in maintaining close relations between our two countries during the past years. I am convinced that the amity and mutual respect which <sup>have</sup> ~~has~~ characterized this relationship will continue in the future.

Our world is shrinking and becoming more and more a single community, as suggested by the enclosed photographs of the Apollo VIII flight around the moon. It has become increasingly apparent that ~~k~~ all nations on this globe must work together if we are to leave a peaceful, better life in a ~~w~~ new world shaped by scientific and technological advances.

I believe that some progress has been made toward this goal, as we have found new means of encouraging international cooperation. One day, I am sure, an international community will emerge, based on the common interests of all the world's

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peoples. Denmark and the United States will have a role to play in this development.

Although I am now retiring from the Presidency, my interest in your country and my friendship for your people will remain strong, as will my interest in forwarding the many goals shared by our two countries. Sincerely, Lyndon D. Johnson UNQUOTE

3. ~~The~~ The message signed by the President and the Apollo eight photographs will be forwarded to recipient separately.

4. Release info will be sent septel.

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