

TRANSLATION

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Mr. Bill Clinton
President of the United States of America
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Mr. President,

I have the honor to address myself to your Excellence in favor of Mr. Marc Rich.

I would like to testify on his generosity and his devotion to a large number of humanitarian causes, in particular dealing with programs aimed against violence and the teaching of Peace.

For the last three years, I am the Chair which I founded under the auspices of UNESCO, the title being "Knowledge of the Religion of the Book and Education for Peace." We have benefited from grants of the Marc Rich Foundation. Our goal is to develop all forms of education or community life to achieve a better understanding of the other. This is how we managed to organize at the University of France (Maroco) a roaming faculty of the Religion of the Book with the participation of high personalities such as Nobel Laureate Claude Cohen Tanuaji, Professor of the French Academy.

I am also a member of the committee "The Soul of Europe" which was created by the European union. Our projects of spiritual leadership have been largely supported by Mr. Rich.

I consider it my duty to testify on behalf of this good man and I apologize for the liberty I have taken to intervene on his behalf.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurance of my highest respect.

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