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MANY AMERICANS ARE FAMILIAR WITH A PHRASE BESPEAKING

OF SPANISH HOSPITALITY: "MY HOME IS YOUR HOME." IN ACCEPTING THIS
KEY TO THE CITY OF MADRID, I HAVE ALREADY BEEN MADE TO FEEL COMPLETELY
WELCOME.

THIS KEY REPRESENTS MORE THAN HOSPITALITY. IT
SIGNIFIES THE OPENING OF NEW DOORS TO GREATER ACHIEVEMENTS IN
BRINGING THE SPANISH AND AMERICAN PEOPLES CLOSER TOGETHER AND IN
BUILDING UPON THE FRIENDSHIP WE ALREADY SHARE. IT IS IN THIS SPIRIT
THAT I ACCEPT THIS KEY TO YOUR GREAT CAPITAL CITY.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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