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Dear Mr. de Boer:

The United States is pleased to inform you, through this letter, of its desire to be associated with the Copenhagen Accord. Attached please find the submission of the United States concerning its emissions reduction target, in the format set forth in Appendix 1 to the Copenhagen Accord, for compilation in accordance with paragraph 4 of the Accord. The U.S. listing is provided on the assumption that other Annex 1 Parties, as well as the more advanced non-Annex 1 parties, have, by January 31, associated with the Accord and submitted mitigation actions for compilation in accordance with paragraph 4 or paragraph 5 of the Accord, as the case may be.

We look forward to implementing the Accord, including those portions of the Accord that call for COP decisions.

Sincerely,

Todd Stern
U.S. Special Envoy for Climate Change

Attachment:
U.S. Submission

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APPENDIX I

Annex I Parties	***Quantified economy-wide emissions targets for 2020***	
	Emissions reduction in 2020	Base year
United States of America	In the range of 17%, in conformity with anticipated U.S. energy and climate legislation, recognizing that the final target will be reported to the Secretariat in light of enacted legislation. [1]	2005

[1] The pathway set forth in pending legislation would entail a 30% reduction in 2025 and a 42% reduction in 2030, in line with the goal to reduce emissions 83% by 2050.