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The President,
The White House
Washington DC

Sir:

Please allow me the guest of Your Great and Respected Country, having arrived here on the 30th day of March 1990, to address You in the matter of Lithuanian Independence.

The proclamation of Lithuanian Independence was based on the will of the nation, international law, total moral supremacy against Soviet demagogic propaganda and military power. There was no other way for Lithuania, because the Government of Lithuania has been offering the Soviets for quite some time to begin the negotiations relating Lithuania's Independence. The offer was always ignored. President Gorbachev having received an absolute

power still does not recognize the lawful Government of Lithuania and is trying to distrust it in various ways. Like a true communist he says one thing to the world, but acts differently in his country. He broke the principles of democracy and his "glasnost" by expelling foreign correspondents from Lithuania and hiding from the world opinion is increasing the moral, political, economical and military pressure. (Never has there been so many tanks and soldiers in Lithuania). This presents real danger for the ardently sought for and proclaimed Independence, the Government and life and safety of the people. Just like the necessity of air and water, it is vital for Lithuania to get the recognition of Government.

I am positive that the Soviets will not crush the moral strength of the Lithuanian nation, but is more sacrifice needed from a nation, which has suffered so much already?

It is incomprehensible to me and my compatriots, residing in the U.S.A. and Lithuania why the United States of America just like the Soviets proclaim one and do the opposite. Why after 50 years of nonrecog-

notion of Lithuania's occupation the United States does not want to officially recognize the Lithuanian Republic after the recent proclamation of Independence and trust deceitful Soviet promises, which insolently have been broken?

Concession of the American Government helps the Soviets to exercise the imperialistic politics, because other countries waiting for U.S.A. action are also hesitating to recognize the Lithuanian Government.

The Russian Empire is crumbling from within. The opportunity rises for the enslaved nations to free themselves from the 50 or 70 years of slavery and enter into normal relations with other countries. U.S.A. trying to restore the USSR economy, devastated by communism, is obstructing democratic process of USSR. If Russia will become strong economically, it will shake its fist not only at Lithuania, but also at the whole world.

Being thoroughly knowledgeable in the bolshevik insidious politics, the horror of their repression and being a strong believer

in the democratic principles of the U.S.A., I dare
to ask You in mine own and my suffer-
ing compatriots behalf to recognize the
Lithuanian Republics Independence,
without delay and justify the brightest
hope the Lithuanian nation has in You.

May the Good Lord bless You and
Your work.

I have the honour to remain most
respectfully Yours,

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