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Dear Ms. Kuhn,

Congratulations on the 25th Anniversary of Roots of Peace. During the early days of Roots of Peace, the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Political-Military Affairs provided support for Roots of Peace to turn "mines to vines" in Croatia. This project, as well as later projects in Afghanistan and Vietnam, complemented and supported U.S. Conventional Weapons Destruction programs goals of protecting innocent civilians from the threat of landmines and explosive remnants of war and returning agricultural land to productive use.

Best wishes to Roots of Peace as you continue your important work cultivating peace through agriculture.

Sincerely,

Karen Chandler

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Karen Chandler". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Karen" being more prominent than the last name "Chandler".

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