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His Excellency Bogdan Borusewicz Marshall of the Senate of the Republic of Poland Warsaw POLAND

Your Excellency

On behalf of the New Zealand House of Representatives, I wish to thank you for your moving letter and your condolences during what we all feel is New Zealand's darkest hour. It is reassuring however to know that we are not alone walking this difficult path.

No doubt the road ahead will be challenging, but the Kiwi resilience will help us through these difficult times.

Please convey my best wishes to your colleagues in the Senate.

Yours sincerely

Dr The Rt Hon Lockwood Smith

Speaker