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President Barack Obama  
United States of America  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Obama:

On behalf of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), I respectfully request that as part of our renewed diplomatic relations with Cuba that you call for the immediate return of any cop killer or fugitive who has fled to Cuba to elude justice.

Joanne Chesimard, notorious for her role in the cold-blooded murder of New Jersey State Trooper Werner Foerster and for seriously wounding New Jersey State Trooper James Harper has been awarded safe haven in Cuba for too long. Chesimard is not the only one. She is joined by several other fugitives, including, Victor Manuel Gerena, still on the Federal Bureau of Investigation’s (FBI) top ten fugitive list and a member of the Los Macheteros domestic terrorist group; and William Morales, a bomb maker for the Armed Forces for National Liberation (FLAN), whose bombs was linked to killing four people in New York, including a member of the New York Police Department bomb squad, and injuring sixty civilians.

These individuals and any other fugitive that has been provided safe haven in Cuba should be returned to the United States to serve justice for their horrific crimes. I strongly urge you to demand the immediate return of these fugitives.

Sincerely,

Chief Richard Beary  
President