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Dr. Geir Lundestad  
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Re.: Endorsement of Nomination for the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize

Dear Dr. Lundestad Abdias Nascimento's nomination, a Brazilian citizen, for the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize. As it is well stated in the letter presented by Professor Clóvis Brigagão, Abdias's life is a real proof of dedication for the improvement of human dignity in Brazil.

His nomination recognizes this restless freedom fighter's 75 years of struggle for human rights, racial equality, social inclusion and democratic defense of the majority African descendent population in Brazil; his political activism as member of the Brazilian Federal Senate and House of Deputies; his fight for the assertion of African Diaspora culture and history as professor and educator in the Americas and particularly in Brazil; his work as an artist (poetry, theater and painting); and his devotion to human dignity and liberty.

Moreover, I think that the now existing ethnic affirmative actions on behalf of Brazilian Government originate from the fight for larger civil rights by men like Abdias Nascimento.

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