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Dear Friends:

My name is Mallory Davis, Service Committee Chair for the Ore-Ida Teen Leaders Council, Boy Scouts of America. Our committee needs your help on a wonderful international service project that we feel will directly benefit the lives of thousands of young people in the war-torn nation of Kosovo.

This summer, my Venture Crew (Crew 501, Boise, ID) sent a contingent of scouts to the 2003 International Flamboree in De Kluis, Belgium. At this international scout camp, we met an amazing scout unit from Kosovo, where the scouting movement is just getting started. As we talked to their boys, we learned of their struggles to offer the scouting program to a generation of young people traumatized by war and poverty. Their program was begun with the hope of providing a way to ease ethnic tensions in their war-torn country, but was still just in its infancy. As you can imagine, scouting in Kosovo is very poor, and there isn't even money to buy uniforms for their members. We wanted to find a way to help them, since we in America have so much, and they so little. After many conversations with their leadership, we agreed that collecting used BSA uniforms for distribution to their scouts would have an immediate positive effect on the quality of their program.

We need to collect 1000 BSA uniforms to help the Kosovo Scout Association deliver the promise of scouting to their youth! Obviously, it would be very difficult for any one group to gather 1,000 scout uniforms, but with the help of several organizations, we can have success. *We are asking for your organization to set up a collection drive of old scout uniforms to be sent to Kosovo.* Any Boy Scout uniform of any color and condition will be accepted. Patches don't need to be removed; that will be taken care of later on by a separate committee. This letter has been given to you by one of our campaign coordinators who is willing to work with you in organizing your uniform drive. Whenever you are able to collect the uniforms, just let us know, and we will pick them up. Anything will help!

Thank you in advance for your assistance in helping us provide this service for an organization in need. Your work is very much appreciated. Feel free to contact us if you need any help, or any questions answered.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mallory Davis".

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