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The Honorable Henry A. Waxman
Member, U.S. House of Representatives
8436 West 3rd Street, Suite 600
Los Angeles, California 90048

Dear Representative Waxman:

Thank you for your recent inquiry addressing the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Los Angeles Small Business Development Center's (SBDC) recent Export Seminar held on September 26, 2012, a Jewish Holy Day, Yom Kippur.

I reached out to the Los Angeles SBDC's Director of the Center for International Trade Development, Cesar Arellanes to see what we may be able to do to accommodate your constituent, Dr. Paulette Caswell. It appears that on July 12, 2012, Dr. Caswell advised Mr. Arellanes of her inability to attend the seminar to be held on September 26. He responded with his regrets that she was unable to attend on the September date and advised that was not a one-time event. As an alternative, Mr. Arellanes offered Dr. Caswell the opportunity to attend the same seminar as his guest on August 1, 2012. In addition, he provided her with a calendar of all seminars to be held during the year, in the event that the August date was not convenient for her. The next seminar covering the same material is to be held on November 14, 2012 from 6 to 9 pm at 4900 E. Conant Street, Building 2, Long Beach, California 90808. Mr. Arellanes has expressed his desire for Dr. Caswell to attend as his guest. If she desires to attend this event, she may call Mr. Arellanes at (562) 938-5018.

We appreciate your support of the California small business community. If you and your staff have any questions, please contact the SBA Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs at (202) 205-6700.

Sincerely,

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