September 30, 2012

Dear Ambassador Brzezinski:

On behalf of the members of the We Love Lundby Club, I want to thank you for your kind and warmhearted letter congratulating us on our sojourn to Sweden in early September. We were delighted to visit Micki Leksaker AB in Gemla to celebrate the 65th anniversary of Lundby of Sweden. Not only were we magically transported into Micki's toy land, a place that holds the past, present, and future of Lundby of Sweden, but we also were recognized by an impressive article with photographs of our visit in the local newspaper, *Smålandsposten*.

Receiving your letter was an additional and unexpected distinction that made our Micki experience beyond special! I've attached our group photo to show how happy all these events made us that day!

Thank you again, Mr. Ambassador, for your thoughtfulness in highlighting our visit. Since I live in the Washington, DC area, if I happen to run into Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton, I will be sure to tell her of your kindness!! I hope my husband, Hal, and I will be fortunate to meet you in person sometime in the future, either in the Washington, DC area, or in Stockholm!

Best wishes, Sue Morse

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Subject: Congratulations!!!

Dear Sue Morse and All Members of the "We Love Lundby Club,"

I would like to extend my heartiest congratulations to all of you as you celebrate the 65<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Lundby of Sweden!

I am delighted to welcome you all to Sweden, a country I am honored to call home. In our brief time here, my family and I have come to love Sweden and the Swedish people, so it is easy for me to understand your deep affection for them.

You have traveled many miles to come here as a visible expression of your love for Lundby. Your journey here is a reminder of the thousands of Swedes who once traveled many miles in the opposite direction to reach the shores our nation, the United States, which I am so proud to represent.

Over the years, it has been those personal journeys in both directions that have deepened and strengthened the friendship between our two great countries, which I am glad to say are deeper and stronger now than ever before.

In closing, let me also congratulate Kristina Aronsson and all the fine folks at Micki Leksaker AB. I know that you and your dollhouses have friends all over the world, but perhaps none so dedicated as your We Love Lundby friends from the United States of America!

With warm regards,

Mark Brzezinski Ambassador