

CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

January 14, 2016

Dear Mr. Schansman:

Ambassador Broas has asked me to respond on his behalf to your January 5 request that he convey your letter to Secretary of State Kerry seeking assistance with the MH17 investigation. We passed your letter immediately upon receipt to the Secretary's office. We expect that you will receive a separate response about it from Washington.

Our embassy continues to follow all aspects of the MH17 investigation closely, including in direct contact with Dutch officials. As Consular Chief (succeeding John Wilcock), I attended the presentation of the 'Reconstruction MH 17' at Airbase Gilze Rijen on October 15, 2015, which coincided with the release of the Dutch Safety Board (DSB) report. I am sorry that I did not have a chance to meet you personally then but hope that we will have another opportunity soon. I cannot imagine how hard this all must be on you and your family.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office directly should you have any further questions that we might be able to assist you with.

Sincerely

Pamela J. Hack

Consular Section Chief