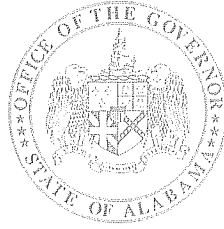


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January 24, 2011

President Hugo Chavez
C/O Luis R. Monch
US Delegate for UnoAmerica
5203 SW 152nd Court
Miami, FL 33185

Dear President Chavez:

I proffer this letter on behalf of my friend, Alejandro Pena Esclusa, and hope that you will consider it a request to immediately release him and to allow him to return home to his family.

Alejandro Pena Esclusa was arrested at a time when he was leading an international team of attorneys in an investigation of crimes against humanity. As I am sure you are aware, his work in the arena of human rights is internationally recognized and respected. It is that very work that has earned him numerous awards, accolades and appointments to leadership positions in well-respected organizations with the goal of the promotion of democracy and human rights.

I urge you to immediately release this humanitarian and to allow him to peacefully continue his work of advancing democracy and prosperity throughout the region.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Robert Bentley".

Governor Robert Bentley