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Dear Madam President,

On behalf of the United Nations Association of the United States of America (UNA-USA), we stand with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. and wish to publicly denounce the recent acts of intimidation and discrimination that took place on the campus of American University in Washington, DC.

Further, we're looking forward to working together to ensure these incidents, as well as the broader impact of racism on college campuses, are reflected during the upcoming review of the United States record under the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination (ICERD), a core United Nations human rights treaty that the U.S. ratified in 1994. One opportunity, for example, could include submission of a "shadow report" to the UN, inclusive of recommendations for the Administration to help prevent recurrences of these acts.

As our National Office is headquartered in Washington, please let us know if there is anything that UNA-USA can do to assist the Sorority at this time.

In partnership,

Hon. Teta Banks
UNA-USA National Council President

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