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TIBETAN PARLIAMENT-IN-EXILE

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Dear Namita Bhattacharya and family,

It is with great sadness that I am writing this letter in response to the sad demise of Hon. former Prime Minister of India, late Sh. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, a true Indian statesman. I, on behalf of Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile and Tibetans in and outside Tibet, would like to offer our deepest condolences at this sorrowful moment.

Late Hon. Atal Bihari Vajpayee, recipient of the Bharat Ratna award, was loved and respected for being a genuine advocate of democracy in India. His leadership has unique quality of foresight and parity for the progress of India and its entire people. For no doubt, India has lost a great leader, leaving behind a big void in the Indian politics.

Tibetan people are eternally grateful for his strong and consistent support for the cause of Tibet since from 1950s. He had raised voice for Tibetan cause in and outside the perimeter of Indian parliament. The level of reverence that he has offered to His Holiness the Dalai Lama will always remain in our heart.

Please convey our commiserations to your entire family members and all his admirers. May you all get the strength to bear this irreparable loss.

With prayers and sympathy,

Khenpo Sonam Tenphel
Speaker
Tibetan Parliament-in-Exile

