The Honorable Barack Obama President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20500

## Dear Mr. President:

I am writing to you on behalf of my son, Bradley Birkenfeld, who is currently an inmate at the Federal Prison in Schuylkill, Pennsylvania, far from his family and friends, in the hope that you will secure his release.

This is a personal appeal to your sense of justice, Mr. President, in light of Bradley's undisputed service to our country. He single-handedly exposed the largest tax fraud in IRS history. My son is the former UBS banker who has voluntarily provided very detailed and extremely sensitive information regarding UBS's illegal offshore tax fraud to not only the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Internal Revenue Service, but also the U.S Senate and Department of Justice.

His separation from his loved ones is extremely painful to our family, especially when we know that his sentence is harsher than that of any of the thousands of wrongdoers that he took the unprecedented risk to expose. This Christmas, the thousands of US citizens with offshore accounts who were granted amnesty will be sitting at home with their families. The high ranking UBS executives who pled guilty and were merely made to pay a fine will be exchanging presents with their loved ones.

What will my son, who was solely responsible for recovering billions of dollars for American taxpayers, be doing on Christmas day? Bradley will be sitting alone in a cold cell away from those who love and appreciate him for the historic sacrifices he has made.

To this day, Bradley has spent more time in jail than any other banker, client, or executive held responsible for this decades-long crime. All I ask is that you consider his time served as punishment enough. It is our fervent wish, as we approach the holiday season, that our appeal to your sense of fairness and humanity will reunite Bradley with us.

Sincerely,

Ronald Birkenfeld, M.D.

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