



*Embassy of the United States of America*

Budapest, Hungary

August 16, 2021

Dear Mr. President:

On behalf of the United States of America, I congratulate you and the Hungarian people as you commemorate St. Stephen's Day and celebrate the rich legacy of more than 1,000 years of Hungarian statehood.

This year also marks a century of diplomatic relations between the United States and Hungary. Our nations' ties are deeply personal, rooted in family and history, with more than one million proud Hungarian-Americans strengthening our country through their contributions. Over the past 100 years, we have built a robust trade and investment relationship and worked together to confront shared global challenges and bolster regional and global security.

Our bilateral relationship is further augmented through our cooperation in the OSCE and NATO, including Alliance operations in Afghanistan, Iraq, and the Balkans. I look forward to continuing to deepen our bilateral relationship, working from the shared values of the Transatlantic alliance – democracy, individual liberty, and the rule of law. Recommitting ourselves to these values will help ensure that our people continue to live in freedom, prosperity, and security.

Sincerely,

/s/

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.

His Excellency

János Áder,

President of the Republic of Hungary,

Budapest, Hungary.