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To the Board, Staff and Supporters of The Citizens Foundation:

It is my pleasure to congratulate The Citizens Foundation on the important work you are doing to provide Pakistani children with a formal education.

It is vital to the peace, security and prosperity of the world that young men and women in Pakistan and across the Islamic world are provided with hope and opportunity. Your efforts on behalf of the children of Pakistan help alleviate poverty, combat feelings of hopelessness, and expand the reach of opportunity. Indeed, access to a sound and comprehensive education is as important as any other tool in the current struggle against the forces of violence and hatred, and is vital to the future of the Pakistani people.

It is notable that The Citizens Foundation was created by Pakistanis, and continues to be run and supported by Pakistanis around the world. You provide an example of an innovative solution to the lack of access to education in Pakistan, and you demonstrate real support at the grass roots level for initiatives for progress in Pakistan and the Islamic world.

I wish you continued success in your critical endeavor.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

Lee H. Hamilton