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*Dear John,*

I thought that I would write to you to let you know how I suggest we might carry forward my discussions with the parties, now that I have completed the round of exploratory meetings. Those meetings were extremely valuable to me in clarifying the parties' general position on Talks issues, and identifying potentially fruitful areas for further constructive discussion.

If you agree, I should like to propose that you and I should meet again, together with other representatives of your party if you so wish, so that I can give you an assessment of the point that I think we have now reached, and to discuss with you the modalities of carrying the bilateral exchanges to a further stage.

I hope we could meet as soon as possible; if you are content, perhaps you would get in touch with my office next week to discuss dates.

*Yours sincerely  
Michael*

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