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Dear Mr. Parker:

As faith-based investors and members of the Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR), we would like to thank you for taking the bold step of acknowledging and educating passengers on your airlines about the evils of child sexual exploitation committed by some tourists. Carrying the advertisement warning tourists about the crime of child sex tourism in the September 2008 edition of US AIRWAYS magazine was a significant way to respond to this often unknown or ignored criminal act.

Airline companies play an essential role in combating this evil by informing passengers of the criminally offensive human rights violations perpetrated against our most vulnerable members of society. ICCR members commend you on your willingness to undertake a leadership role among the travel industry in addressing this critical issue.

At the recent *III World Congress Against Sexual Exploitation of Children and Adolescents* held in Rio de Janeiro, Nov. 25-28, 2008, Queen Silvia of Sweden stated that "Business executives have to play an active role; the society will not support companies that are indifferent to social problems." The queen urged "transport, internet, travel and tourism sectors to deepen their commitment within their productive chains to fight child and adolescent sexual tourism world-wide."

ICCR members strongly encourage US AIRWAYS to make a commitment to repeat the advertisement at least yearly or even more frequently. It is a vital educational and consciousness-raising tool.

We are grateful for your positive response to the moral and social evil of commercial sexual exploitation of children and we will urge others to support US AIRWAYS because of the leadership you have shown.

Sincerely,

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