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Regarding: XXXXX

Dear :

Earlier this month, I had the opportunity to discuss XXXX activities with a close associate of mine who recommended me to contact you. Immediately after, I visited your website and was pleased to see that the position as XXXX was open. I would hereby like to apply for that position.

I am currently working as a strategy consultant and lobbyist at Kreab, Scandinavia's largest PR and Communications firm. At Kreab, I have advised multinationals, Internet startups and interest organizations on political, communications and strategy issues. My experience in government affairs and communications consulting has provided me with a deep understanding of teamwork, coalition building and media relations.

Most of my work experience has pertained to politics, government affairs and communication. I have worked in the United States Congress as a political advisor to Congressman Robert Ney of Ohio, formulating and marketing his position vis-à-vis Iran. My job at his office was to point out to him the benefits of engagement with Iran and persuade him to change his position to favor such a policy. This task was successfully accomplished and Congressman Ney are today one of Capitol Hill's most outspoken advocates of dialogue with Iran.

I have also worked as a diplomat with the Swedish Permanent Mission to the United Nations in New York. My duties at the Mission were to assist with the work in the Third Committee of the General Assembly and the Security Council. In the Security Council, I was involved in the handling of the conflicts in Afghanistan, Tajikistan, Western Sahara and Iraq.

Moreover, during the last couple of years I have had hands on advocacy concerning US-Iran relations. In 1997, I founded Iranians for International Cooperation (www.iic.org), an U.S. based advocacy group promoting the use of dialogue as a means for solving international disputes. IIC has today app. 900 active members worldwide and we are actively lobbying on parliaments in the U.S., Sweden and the EU.

I hold a MSc. in Economics from Stockholm School of Economics and a MSc. in International Relations from Uppsala University. In International Relations, I have focused on the political situation in the Middle East, whereas my focus in Economics has been on international trade and development. I am fully fluent in English, Swedish and Farsi, and conversant in French.

It is my strong conviction that my wide experience in fields in which leadership, creativity, political and communication skills have constituted indispensable characteristics, will enable me to become an asset to XXXX. I have a strong need to be challenged, and I am confident that my taste and talent for problem solving will be highly valued at XXXX.

Regarding my salary history, I have earned approximately \$50,000-60,000 for the last few years.

I look forward to hearing from you soon and in my enclosed CV you will find additional information on my experience and on how I can be reached.

Yours faithfully,

Trita Parsi