



THE VICE PRESIDENT
WASHINGTON

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Dear Friends:

It is my pleasure to send congratulations to the International Association of Businesses (IAB) on the twentieth anniversary of its founding. I understand IAB was founded for the mutual benefit of some 30,000 members who are primarily self-employed or small business owners.

In his proclamation on Small Business Week, 2002, President Bush noted that, "The strength of our economy is built on the creativity and entrepreneurship of our people. Those who own and operate our nation's 25 million small businesses make a vital contribution to our prosperity through their ongoing work to create new technologies, products, and services. These hardworking men and women and their employees define the American spirit through their innovation, dedication, and determination." IAB can take pride in the supportive services it provides to our nation's entrepreneurs and their families. The work of IAB is important and appreciated.

Please accept my best wishes for your continued success in the years ahead.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dick Cheney". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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