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RIC Asks for Support of Upcoming PM Modi American Visit

The RIC is asking for your support. In an unprecedented move, Prime Minister Narendra Modi is being snubbed by U.S. Leadership. In his first official visit to the U.S. since assuming office in May 2014, PM Modi will be in Washington, DC on September 30, 2014. At this time, the Prime Minister of the largest democracy in the world is not being welcomed by a State Dinner nor does he have the ability to address a Joint Session of Congress. RIC leadership feels strongly that we must do all we can to right this wrong. In that vein, we are asking Speaker John Boehner to convene a Joint Session of Congress on September 30, 2014. RIC Leadership is calling on the Indian-American community to come together to show our support of PM Modi and ask for financial support as such.

This is not a partisan issue, this is an Indian issue. Join RIC in our effort to demand the respect that PM Modi deserves from the U.S. leadership.

August 12, 2014

Dear _____:

"I'm mad as hell, and I'm not going to take this anymore." This is a famous line from an American movie called *Network* that came out in 1976. But we find that it expresses the sentiments of a lot of Indian-Americans these days that we have talked with recently. *Why?*

Well, as you know, **Prime Minister Narendra Modi** is visiting the United States in September. This is his first official visit since his election as Prime Minister of India. One would expect that as the leader of *the largest democracy* in the world, the U.S. leadership would welcome him with open arms, or at least show him diplomatic courtesies warranted by his position.

Will there be a State Dinner at the White House when he is here? *No.*

Will he address a Joint Session of Congress? *Right now, no.*

Will he be granted a general visa to travel the United States? *No!*

Can you imagine the outcry if the Prime Minister of England was treated in such a way?

So, you are asking yourself, what can we do about it? Well, we believe, *at a minimum*, that the Prime Minister should be allowed to address a Joint Session of Congress. That is why RIC sent the attached letter to Speaker John Boehner, and has been working behind the scenes to make this happen. **RIC PAC is mad as hell, and we're not going to take this anymore!**

As it stands, Congress is scheduled to go out of Session on September 28, 2014. The Prime Minister will be in Washington, D.C. on September 30. In order to have the Speaker call a Joint Session on September 30, 2014, we need your help.

As you know, American politics is money driven. That is the reality. This is not a Republican or a Democrat issue. This is an Indian issue. We are asking you to stand with us. We are asking you that if you are, like us, **"mad as hell"** at the way the Prime Minister is being treated by the U.S., then **"don't take it anymore."** Send us a check today to RIC for \$_____, so that we have the resources we need to right this wrong. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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