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I send greetings to those gathered for the 2008 National Meeting of the Military Order of the World Wars.

America is grateful to the men and women who have sacrificed for our liberty and the security of our Nation. For generations, our veterans have triumphed over brutal enemies, liberated continents, and answered the prayers of millions around the globe. These devoted men and women have shown us that freedom is the mightiest force on Earth and set a standard of courage and idealism for the world.

Our men and women on the front lines are taking inspiration from the valor and loyalty America's veterans have demonstrated. Today's heroes are carrying out an urgent and noble mission and are serving with the same determination and bravery as those who came before them.

On behalf of a grateful Nation, I thank veterans for protecting our citizens and laying a foundation of peace for generations to come, All of us who live in liberty live in their debt, and we will never forget their sacrifice and service.

Laura and I send our best wishes for a memorable event. May God bless you, may God bless our troops, and may God bless America.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barack", written in a cursive style.