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JOHN KERRY MASSACHUSETTS

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Dear Friends,

I am pleased to join Dr. Krishnarao Appasani, the staff and friends of GeneExpression System, Inc. and distinguished guests in recognizing RNAi 2004-Boston meeting on RNA Interference: Biology to Drugs and Therapeutics.

Each year this conference allows internationally renowned scientists, academics and professionals to convene in an effort to exchange ideas. These efforts will enhance cutting-edge and emerging drugs that will help with the treatment of cancer, leukemia, HIV, and neurological diseases.

Please accept my best wishes for a productive and successful meeting.

Sincerely,

John F. Kerry

United States Senator