

United States Senate
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Mr. Thomas Cromwell
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Dear Mr. Cromwell:

Thank you for getting in touch with me. It's good to hear from you.

I appreciate your thoughts on the Panama Canal. As a United States Senator, I am committed to meeting the day to day needs of Marylanders and the long-term needs of our nation. One of my guiding principles here in the Senate is that Marylanders have a right to know, to be heard, and to be represented. Information from people like you is essential if I am to be not only the Senator from Maryland, but also the Senator for Maryland.

If I can be of assistance in the future, or if there is any other federal issue on which you would like to comment, please feel free to let me know.

Sincerely,



Barbara A. Mikulski
United States Senator

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