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Hi Anna!

Secretary Zinke appreciates Mr. Babaz kind invitation and accepts. Do you need anything else from me to confirm to confirm his speaking role on the 3rd?

Thank you!

Leila

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From: **Getto, Leila** <leila_getto@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Mon, Nov 27, 2017 at 6:21 PM

Subject: Fwd: Secretary Zinke's invitation

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From: **Cassidy, Benjamin** <benjamin_cassidy@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Mon, Nov 27, 2017 at 5:12 PM

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To: Leila Getto <leila_getto@ios.doi.gov>

Leila,

Please see attached re: the SCI event invite.

Ben

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From: **John Green** <jgreen@crshq.com>

Date: Mon, Nov 27, 2017 at 4:31 PM

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Subject: Secretary Zinke's invitation
To: Ben Cassidy <Benjamin_cassidy@ios.doi.gov>

New invitation written, as they couldn't find the original.

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Event Proposal Information Form

***Please complete this form and send to scheduling@ios.doi.gov; If you have any questions you may contact the Scheduling office at 202-208-7551**

Specific Request to the Secretary:

Title of the Event: Safari Club International Annual Convention

In particular, we are hoping that Secretary Zinke will attend and speak at the Saturday evening banquet at the Convention on February 3, 2018.

Date of Event:

Convention: January 31, 2018 – February 3, 2018

Saturday Night Banquet at Convention: February 3, 2018

Location:

Convention: Las Vegas Convention Center, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Saturday Night Banquet: MGM Grand Hotel, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Point of Contact(s): Anna Seidman, Director of Government Affairs, Safari Club International

Briefly describe the event in detail, and the desired outcome of the Secretary's participation (is this an annual event or part of a breakout session):

The SCI Convention is an annual event, open only to Safari Club International members and special invited guests. On average, approximately 15,000 - 25,000 attendees visit over the four days of the Convention. On the Convention floor, vendors of hunts, firearms, hunting equipment, books, jewelry, wine, crafts etc. display and sell their products. The event also hosts many educational seminars, and meetings of affiliated groups and SCI committees.

The banquets include presentations of awards to SCI members, recognition of U.S. federal and international legislators, and entertainment (e.g. musical bands, comedians, celebrity speakers)

***Who is the event sponsors:**

The Saturday evening banquet is sponsored by Midway U.S.A. Larry Potterfield. Please contact Anna Seidman at aseidman@safariclub.org if you need a list of all sponsors of the SCI Convention.

Who is the event host: The event is hosted by Safari Club International.

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Audience (expected attendance and makeup of the attendees): As mentioned above, the Convention generally draws between 15,000 – 25,000 attendees (SCI members and invited guests only) over the course of the four days. The banquets are generally attended by up to 2,350 SCI members and specially invited guests.

How is this event being advertised (i.e. is it open to the public, members only, etc.)? SCI's Convention is advertised on the SCI website and in publications to the hunting community, but attendance is open only to SCI members and specially invited guests.

VIPs invited: At present, for the Saturday night banquet, SCI has invited Chris Cox of the National Rifle Association, who will be speaking at the banquet. As mentioned above Larry Potterfield of Midway USA or another Midway USA representative will be at the banquet

VIPs confirmed: Chris Cox (National Rifle Association of America) has confirmed his attendance and plans to speak at the Saturday night banquet. Larry Potterfield of Midway USA or another Midway USA representative will speak for a few minutes at the banquet.

Remarks (if applicable)

Desired length of time for remarks: 15-20 minutes

Are there any specific issues you would like the Secretary to highlight/address in his remarks?

We would very much appreciate if Secretary Zinke would speak about his plans and achievement in providing enhanced opportunities and access for hunters both in the U.S. and worldwide, and his work with SCI to improve hunting, hunter access and the management of wildlife.

What is the desired format of his remarks (will he be delivering the keynote, sharing the stage, a panel, etc)?

The Secretary will be one of two main speakers on Saturday night, but during his remarks, he will have the stage to himself.

***Communications**

Is the event open or closed to press?

The event is not open to the general press, but members of the Outdoor Press may attend. Outdoor Press members must submit press credentials and be approved by SCI in order to attend.

***If open to press, are you expecting local, trade, state, or national news coverage? If this is an annual event, which news outlets typically cover the event?**

For remarks and press (if applicable), please check all that apply:

X Podium available

X Microphone available

***Will you be advertising or streaming the event live or taped on any social media outlets? If yes, how?**

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The event will be advertised on social media. It will not be streamed live but will be taped for possible later use.

Logistics/Other

Please supply all pertinent background information for the event (draft agendas, existing websites, confirmed and invited speaker, if this is an annual event, can you share last year agenda etc.):

The SCI Convention is an annual event. More information about the Convention and the banquets during the Convention is available on SCI's website: <https://www.showsci.org/>

What is the attire of the event (business, casual)?

The Convention attire is casual, but the Saturday night banquet attire is formal and for some, black tie.

***If the Secretary is not able to attend, is a surrogate desired? If yes, who specifically?**

No surrogate is desired if the Secretary cannot attend.

Any additional notes or information?

Please feel free to follow up with any additional questions to Anna Seidman, Director of Government Affairs at aseidman@safariclub.org or 202-543-8733.

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November 27, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
Secretary of the Interior
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C. Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke,

On behalf of Safari Club International (SCI), I cordially invite you to speak at the banquet being held on Saturday, February 3, 2018, in association with SCI's 46th Annual Hunters' Convention taking place in Las Vegas, Nevada. The banquet will be held at the MGM Grand Hotel in Las Vegas. Please also join us for our Convention, which will be held from January 31, 2018 through February 3, 2018 at the Las Vegas Convention Center.

SCI is proud to be the premiere organization fighting for hunters' rights and opportunities and protecting the essential role that hunting plays in wildlife management and conservation. Our annual convention showcases our mission of "First for Hunters."

SCI's convention provides the opportunity for 25,000 hunters, conservationists, guides, and outfitters to meet, plan travel, purchase hunts, equipment, clothing, books, crafts, jewelry, etc. and learn about the latest developments in hunting laws, policies, opportunities, and techniques. You will find it to be one of the best opportunities to interact with the sportsmen's community and the outdoor industry in the nation.

SCI would be extremely honored if you would join us for dinner on Saturday night, February 3, 2018 and if you would share a few remarks about your plans and achievements in providing enhanced opportunities and access for hunters both in the U.S. and worldwide. We would also appreciate hearing your thoughts about how SCI and the hunting community generally can work with you and your Department to improve hunting, hunter access and the management of wildlife.

We hope that you will be able to join us for our 2018 Convention. If you have any questions before then, please contact Anna Seidman at aseidman@safariclub.org or 202-543-8733.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "P. Babaz", is centered below the "Thank you," text.

Paul D. Babaz
President, Safari Club International

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