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June 29, 2012

*The Muktaadhara Foundation Inc.
Woodside, Queens*

GREETINGS:

June 29th, and 30th and July 1st 2012 mark the Annual International Bangla Festival and Book Fair-2012 and the celebration of the 21st Annual North American Bengali Book Fair.

I want to congratulate the leaders of the Muktaadhara Foundation including its ardent President, Bishawjit Saha for sponsoring this event and also commend the coordinators, Tania Taslima and Benoara Begum Benu and the many sponsors. Your goals are laudatory; to project the rich culture of Bengali but also to ensure that new generations of Bengali-Americans will appreciate the importance of their heritage.

The more than 200,000 Bengali-Americans living here have contributed tremendously to the economy, well-being and prosperity of our City and their dynamic culture has enriched the lives of their fellow New Yorkers. Their communities have been significantly aided by the many services of the Muktaadhara Foundation.

Because of the Festival, notable Bengali speakers and leaders from throughout the world will come to New York City adding to its fame as the cultural capital of the world.

With best wishes for a wonderful Festival, I am

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Leroy Comrie".

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