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To: U.S. Embassies in Pan Am Region

Re: Visa Request for pertinent national team athletes to participate in the 2011 Pan Am Junior Taekwondo Championships and Pan Am Open International Taekwondo Championships.

Dear Sir or Madam,

On behalf of the Pan American Taekwondo Union (PATU), I would like to extend our warmest greetings to you!

PATU is the official Taekwondo organization which manages 42 member national associations in the Pan America under the governing body of World Taekwondo Federation (WTF). PATU manages all matters and businesses pertaining to Taekwondo Sport from athlete development to Olympic participation. As an International Sport Organization, PATU organizes the official biannual events, Pan Am Senior Taekwondo Championships and Pan Am Junior Taekwondo Championships which takes place in alternate years. This year, PATU is proud to present the Pan Am Junior Championships in Riviera Hotel and Convention Center in Las Vegas, Nevada. This highly prestigious event for all junior athletes of the Pan American region is hosted and organized by the USA-Taekwondo (USAT) under the U.S. Olympic Committee.

Along with USA-Taekwondo, PATU is inviting young athletes of our 42 official member national associations to celebrate one of largest junior Taekwondo events in Las Vegas this October. I would like to request your generous support and assistance in granting U.S. entry visas for the young athletes of our region to compete in the U.S. to pursue their Olympic Dreams under the spirit of "Fair Play". In 2007, when USAT hosted this event in Daytona Beach, Florida, nearly 20 countries were represented. We are excited to host the largest anticipated participation by over 30 countries, for the number of junior athletes have been growing at an impressive rate for the past 4 years.

Should you need any further information regarding this event, please refer to the information package that will be posted on the USAT web site ([www.usa-taekwondo.us](http://www.usa-taekwondo.us)) and PATU web site ([www.paru.org](http://www.paru.org)) in few days or contact my office for my assistance.

Thank you in advance for your favorable consideration in this request.

Sincerely,

**Grand Master Ji Ho Choi**

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