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Bundeskanzleramt  
Bundeskanzlerin Angela Merkel  
Willy-Brandt-Straße 1  
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Germany

Dear Chancellor Merkel

I am on my knees. This is not dignified but the reason is important; and I will be brief

The newspapers here tell us that Mr Tony Blair is favourite to become the president of the European Council. Such a position needs to be characterised by wisdom, integrity, honesty and openness. Mr Blair's ten years in office were characterised by very few of those qualities. It would not be hyperbolic to describe his legacy as hundreds of thousands of dead people

This is not a man fit to head the European project in its difficult but essential progress towards a better and safer future

I beg you to use your influence to ensure that a true statesman or stateswoman is appointed to the post

Yours sincerely

Anthony Marrian