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President Obama Wins Second Term By U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg Robert A. Mandell

Early on Wednesday morning Luxembourg time, the 2012 U.S. elections cycle ended with President Obama declared the winner of a second term in office. This was a hard fought race between two highly capable and committed candidates who, although they have different approaches, both care very deeply about America's future. The energy and passion displayed in the course of this campaign are testimony to the vigor of our democracy and to the seriousness of the challenges the winner will face. Americans were extremely fortunate to choose between two such extraordinary individuals.

As President Obama said in his speech, there is more work to do. Now that the election is over, his task will be to find a way to bridge divisions and achieve consensus on a way forward to strengthen the economy, further reduce unemployment, and advance many other issues, including further improving health care, combating climate change, and ensuring minority and gender equality.

I am proud to say that President Obama is a personal friend of mine. He asked me to come to the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg to represent America, and I have been extremely proud to represent his administration and our country as a whole. As we move forward to his second term in office, I am grateful for the opportunity to continue advocating for American interests and to strengthen American-Luxembourg relations. I agree with President Obama. The best is yet to come.