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Rep. Carolyn Maloney
2332 Rayburn House Office Building
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Dear Rep. Maloney,

Following up on our conversation earlier today, I appreciate you taking time to discuss your objections to comments I made in the *Rancho Santa Fe Review* regarding statements you had made during the committee's February 16, 2012, hearing on freedom of conscience and the Department of Health and Human Service's new mandate on contraception.

For years, we have collaborated as colleagues on numerous projects intended to create better government for the American people. In this context, I agree with your point and regret that my choice of words in an interview with a community newspaper did not reflect the collegial relationship and open communication you and I have long enjoyed. I appreciate your graciousness and agree with you that at times when we disagree there are better, more collegial ways to express such differences. I certainly value you as a colleague and look forward to continuing work on our many joint efforts.

Sincerely,

Darrell Issa
Member of Congress