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Dear Mr. and Mrs. Toddler,

Thank you for filling out the English and Spanish versions of the MacArthur-Bates Communicative Development Inventory (Words and Sentences) for Baby M. Toddler when she was 25 months old (DOB: 12/13/1996). The MacArthur-Bates CDIs are screening measures of early communicative development, which assesses a wide range of language milestones that are appropriate for typically-developing children under the age of 30 months. We are including a report for Baby which compares your responses to information we have from other children living in the U.S.

In some cases, we provide a summary of your responses from the English and Spanish forms taken individually. However, since Baby is learning both English and Spanish, we also provide a COMBINED NUMBER, which reflects a COMBINATION of your responses from both CDIs. This combined score gives an estimate of Baby's general progress in language, regardless of whether more progress is being made in one language or the other.

Note that Baby is at or above age level for all key measures in the CDIs. Thus, there is every indication that she is learning language at a rate that is typical of her age-mates. Research has shown that children in this age range vary considerably in the types of communicative skills that they use and how early they begin to use them. There are several reasons for differences between children, including their exposure to two languages at the same time. Your participation in this study is helping us to better understand how children learn language in a bilingual environment.

As part of the study we may want to follow up her progress in a few months. At that time, we will be contacting you to see if you would like to continue your participation in our project.

Thank you again for your time and participation! We hope that this information has been useful to you. Please feel free to contact us. We would be happy to talk with you about any concerns or questions you might have.

Sincerely,