



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Norway
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17 September 2009

Excellency, *Dear Mr. Prime Minister,*

I am pleased to learn that the three-party coalition led by your Labour Party has secured an absolute majority in the Storting.

I look forward to continuing to work with the Norwegian Government in fulfilling our shared goal of promoting a fairer, more peaceful and greener world. The longstanding leadership of Norway in the United Nations system and in the ongoing United Nations reform process towards system-wide coherence, including through your personal engagement in the High-Level Panel on System-wide Coherence, is something that I cherish deeply.

I was delighted to meet with you last month. I hope to enhance the good relations and strengthen the cooperation between the United Nations and Norway, particularly on climate change, so that we may face in partnership the many challenges that confront our increasingly interdependent world. I am confident that your experience as an economist and parliamentarian of long standing will further enhance the role of Norway on the international stage.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Ban Ki-moon
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His Excellency
Mr. Jens Stoltenberg
Prime Minister of Norway
Oslo

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Excellency,

The Secretary-General would be grateful if you could kindly forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Mr. Jens Stoltenberg, Prime Minister of Norway.

A copy of the letter is attached for your information.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Vinay Nambiar', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Vinay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency
Mr. Morten Wetland
Permanent Representative of Norway
to the United Nations
New York

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To: Mr. Nambiar,

Please find attached for your approval and SG's signature, a letter addressed to the Prime Minister of Norway, His Excellency Mr. Jens Stoltenberg.

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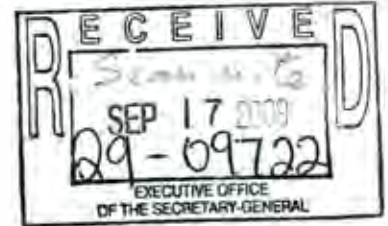
Nicholas Haysom
17 September 2009

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Note to Mr. Nambiar

**SECRETARY-GENERAL'S LETTER TO
THE PRIME MINISTER OF NORWAY ✓**

Please find attached, for the Secretary-General's approval and signature, a letter addressed to H.E. Jens Stoltenberg, Prime Minister of Norway, conveying the Secretary-General's congratulations for the latter's Labour Party led coalition securing an absolute majority in the Storting (Parliament).

Please note that although the three-party coalition led by Mr. Stoltenberg's Labour Party has secured an absolute majority in the *Storting*, Mr. Stoltenberg is yet to be formally nominated by the winning coalition to lead the Government, and subsequently invited by the King of Norway to take the oath of office.

A transmittal letter to the Permanent Representative of Norway to the United Nations, for your signature, is also attached.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "B. Lynn Pascoe".

B. Lynn Pascoe
17 September 2009