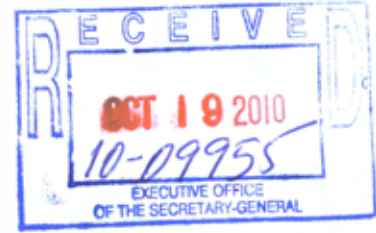


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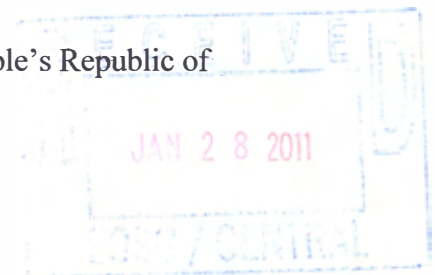
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Dear Sir:

As a **student** and a member of the Model United Nations program at my high school, I have followed your actions and initiatives in the United Nations with admiration.

Your calls to peace and international understanding are inspiring, especially in the modern era of mistrust and limited cooperation among member states. As Secretary-General, one must take stances and set an official posture of the United Nations. Through the course of my research and reading of your Assembly speeches and statements, I have become impressed with your goals and aims. When you speak out on issues, your reasoning and rhetoric always bring elements of humanity and cooperation to the discussion. Your actions as an active ambassador of cooperative progress in the United Nations, however, are what impress me the most. Certain efforts especially come to mind.

While acting as Vice-Chair of the South-North Joint Nuclear Control Commission, you worked to adopt the landmark Joint Declaration on the Denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula. Later as Foreign Minister in South Korea, you coordinated six-party talks in order to work towards the resolution of the North Korean nuclear issue. I admire your natural ability for diplomatic finesse, an tactic infinitely preferable to brazen threats when negotiating with a reclusive nation such as the Democratic People's Republic of

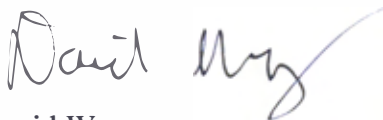


Korea. If nuclear disarmament is to be achieved in North Korea, the United Nations must attempt again and again to engage the North Koreans in bilateral dialogue. Although the DPRK currently rebuffs the entreaties of the United Nations, perhaps persistence will be rewarded in the future. I hope that North Korea will fulfill its duty as a member nation and work towards peace and mutual security.

Recently, you spoke to Prime Minister Netanyahu about extending the moratorium on settlement construction in the disputed West Bank. I was impressed because most international figures are hesitant to speak out against the expansion of Israeli settlements. Once again, you show uncommon insight into a prickly political issue. The Palestinians view the new construction sites as little more than annexation. If there is to be meaningful dialogue between the Palestinians and the Israelis, the settlement building freeze must be extended, if only to bring both parties to the negotiation table. A complete cessation of construction would serve as a gesture of goodwill from the Israeli government, and may lead to the start of historic concessions and agreements.

A multilateral United Nations built upon international solidarity is the best chance for peace and cooperation in my generation and beyond. Much of this burden falls upon the office of Secretary-General, the “most impossible job in the world,” in the words of Trygve Lie. If truly it is an impossible job, then you have done the impossible with dignity and skill.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'David Wang', with a stylized flourish at the end.

David Wang