



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

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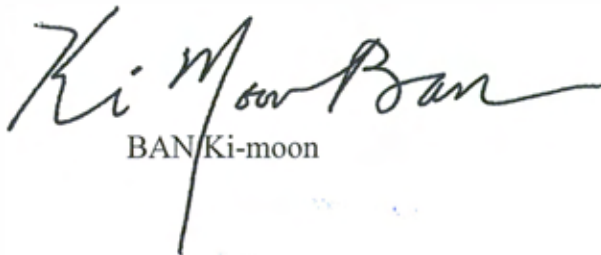
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In discharging the work of the investigation mission, the advice and expertise of the WHO will be important. In this regard, I am grateful for your assurance during our recent consultations.

My senior advisers will contact the Syrian Government regarding the modalities for the investigation mission in order to allow it to start its important work as soon as possible in the coming days. I have also asked my senior advisors to work closely with the WHO in developing the modalities for the mission.

I appreciate your cooperation in this matter and I am grateful for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

  
BAN/Ki-moon

Dr. Margaret Chan  
Director-General  
World Health Organization  
Geneva

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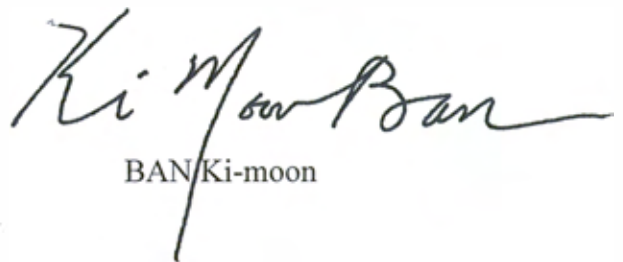
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I appreciate your cooperation in this matter and I am grateful for your continued support. And I look forward to seeing you soon in The Hague on the occasion of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Review Conference of the Chemical Weapons Convention.

Yours sincerely,



BAN Ki-moon

Mr. Ahmet Üzümcü  
Director-General  
Organization for the Prohibition  
of Chemical Weapons  
The Hague

United Nations



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Cabinet du Secrétaire général

To: CDC (through o/DSG),


Please find attached for your approval and SG's signature, two letters addressed to the Directors-General of OPCW and WHO in reference to the SG's decision to conduct an investigation of the alleged use of chemical weapons in the Syrian Arab Republic.

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Political Unit  
22 March 2013

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**Re: SG letter to DG/OPCW**   
**Susana Malcorra** to: Sanghwa Lee  
Cc: Andrew Gilmour, Yvette Blanco

22/03/2013 08:10 PM

Approved.  
Susana

<b>Sanghwa Lee</b>	<b>How about this? Best,</b>	<b>03/22/2013 08:08 PM EDT</b>
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From: Sanghwa Lee  
To: Susana Malcorra  
Cc: Andrew Gilmour; Yvette Blanco  
Date: 03/22/2013 08:08 PM EDT  
Subject: Re: SG letter to DG/OPCW

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