

central DSG f.i. (thank you note) ✓

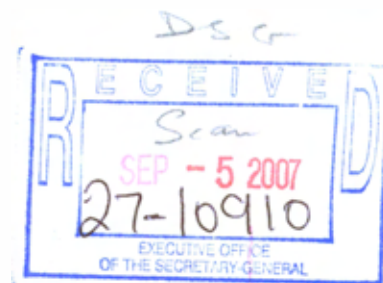
NGO'S



Save the Children®

Charles F. MacCormack
President

August 28, 2007



United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-moon
United Nations
Secretariat Building
New York, NY 10017

Dear Mr. Secretary General:

Thank you very much for taking the time on August 27 to meet with the leadership of InterAction, America's largest consortium of non-governmental organizations. As we discussed, international NGOs allocate between \$15-20 billion per year to achieve the Millennium Development Goals and in emergency relief. In all these activities, we work very closely with our United Nations counterparts.

We look forward to working with your team in bringing greater consistency to the partnership between the United Nations family and leading international non-governmental organizations. The partnership currently depends too much on the good will of individual leaders within both the NGO community and the UN family, and our relationship is too important to leave to chance. InterAction would be happy to work with your staff on bringing more consistency to our relationship.

Save the Children works closely with the United Nations in a variety of ways. With UNICEF, we co-lead the Education in Emergency Cluster, as well as working with UNICEF and WHO on achieving MDGs 4, 5 and 6. Specifically, we Co-Chair the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health with UNICEF and WHO. We have also been the principle partner of Paulo Sérgio Pinheiro (UN Study on Violence). Additionally, we have extensive joint activity with the World Food Program, United Nations High Commission for Refugees, UNAIDS, and your Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict. Finally, I would want to highlight the very positive relationship with the UN Office for the Coordinator for Humanitarian Response, where the Global Humanitarian Platform serves as a model for UN/NGO partnership.

In concluding, let me thank you again for your commitment to further improvement in our relationship. Needless to say, the well-being of hundreds of millions of people in need depends on our cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Charles MacCormack

