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Dear Mr. Shah,

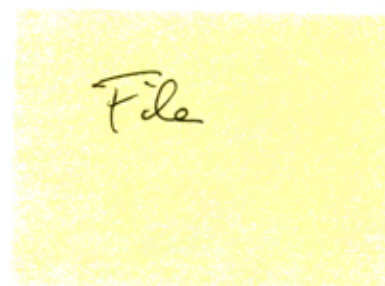
Please find attached a letter from Michael Meyer, Director of Communications of the Secretary-General.

Best wishes,
Nathan

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29 October 2008

Dear Mr. Shah,

Thank you for your letter of 19 August 2008 to the Secretary-General, in which you invited him to provide a message for the World Peace Festival 2008, which took place between 30 September and 9 October, to be included in a publication marking the occasion.

I regret to inform you that while the Secretary-General appreciates your support, he was unable to meet your request. However, I am delighted to forward to you the message of the Secretary-General on the International Day of Peace. Please allow me to thank you for your interest in the United Nations.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Meyer'.

Michael Meyer
Director of Communications

Mr. Naresh Shah
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MESSAGE ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE

21 September 2008

This year, the International Day of Peace takes on special meaning.

This is the year we also mark the sixtieth anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. We know that human rights are essential to peace. Yet too many people around the world still have their rights violated -- especially during and after armed conflict. That is why we must ensure that the rights in the Declaration are a living reality -- that they are known, understood and enjoyed by everyone, everywhere. It is often those who most need their human rights protected, who also need to be informed that the Declaration exists -- and that it exists for them.

At the same time, we face a development emergency. This year, we pass the midpoint in the race to reach the Millennium Development Goals -- the common vision agreed by leaders of all countries for building a better world in the 21st century. Reaching these goals is also essential to peace. Yet many countries in Africa are not on track to reach a single one of the goals by the deadline of 2015. That is why, just after the International Day of Peace, Governments, civil society and business will meet at the United Nations to forge a broad coalition and try to bridge the gap.

There is so much to unite around on this International Day of Peace. To mobilize people around the world, the UN is launching a text messaging campaign. My message reads: "On 21 September, the International Day of Peace, I call on world leaders and peoples around the world to join forces against conflict, poverty and hunger, and for all human rights for all."

Together, let us send a powerful signal for peace that will be read, heard and felt around the world.

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To:
Hon'ble Secretary General of UN

Respected Mr. Ban Ki-Moon

RE: Request for World Peace Message for World Peace Festival 2008 (UK) ✓

I would like to inform you with great pride and honour about India's most famous World Peace Leader, His Holiness Param Pujya Sri Sri Sri Vasanth Gurudevji, who has arrived in the UK to spread the message of universal love and brotherhood and to head the **World Peace Festival in UK in October 2008**. He has traveled widely around the world in achieving his vision to awaken the masses for a peaceful world and unity of all faiths.

His visit to UK is focused on spreading this message on a global basis and creating a mass awareness across the world. He is organizing a "World Peace Festival 2008" to take place between September 30, 2008 and October 9, 2008 in Leicester, UK. These 10 days are the most auspicious days of Indian religion and His Holiness has chosen these big days to achieve enormous peace and harmony in the World.

To symbolize global unity, His Holiness is **lighting 66,840 candles** signifying the world's total population of 6.684 billion according to the July 2008 Census. There would be an additional 195 different coloured candles to represent the total countries on the globe in one thought. Each and every candle will be lighted with a special prayer to achieve good health and prosperity on the whole. This would represent a Guinness World Record for the largest number of candles lighted for world peace. This spectacular event is scheduled to take place on October 5, 2008, it will be televised (live coverage) by the faith channel aastha tv and many other tv channels News papers and Radio Stations.

During this 10 day festival, there will be big poojas, rituals and ceremonies performed under the auspicious guidance of His Holiness aimed at benefiting the

world at large. Each day of the festival would have a special theme and prayer including:

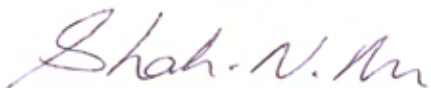
- World Friendship Prayer
- World Peace Prayer
- Non-violence Prayer
- Life-saving Prayer
- Prosperity Prayer
- Prayer for Real Knowledge
- Prayer for Happiness
- Prayer for Love and Compassion
- World Security Prayer

All these prayers would awaken the hearts of the people and imbibe in them the valuable principles of love, peace and non-violence. This is a very symbolic event and it would go a long way in establishing peace and order in the world. This festival would witness huge participation in large numbers from people across the globe.

To record this event, we are printing a **"World Peace Book"** that will contain special peace messages from all the nations around the World. **We kindly request you to send your valuable "World Peace Message and Greetings"** that will be printed in this global book and the book will be for public display at the **Peace Festival 2008.**

We thank you in advance for your active participation to support our common goal. As the book will be sent to the printing house in the 1st week of September 2008, your speedy response by **31st August** would be highly appreciated.

Kind Regards,



Mr NARESH M SHAH

Trustee, Sri Krishnagiri Parshwa Padmavathi International Centre, UK

Information on Reverend Sri Sri Sri Vasanth Gurudevji

The Reverend Sri Sri Sri Vasanth Gurudevji is the founder of the "Parshwa Padmavathi Shakthi Peet Centre" – this is an international, non-profit, humanitarian foundation established in Krishnagiri, India for the service of mankind and world peace. In the near future, the centre will contain the world's highest (365 feet) temple. His Holiness is an esteemed spiritual leader and is not limited to any one organization, religion or country. His teachings depict the essence of non-violence, universal love and Unity. He is regarded as a great missionary of peace and being a very young saint in late thirties, he has been a recipient of innumerable awards – these include four consecutive Guinness World Records within a short span of 2 years for his commendable contributions to World Peace and different humanitarian projects, namely, the Prestigious Jain Jyothi Award, World Guru Award, Prominent Peace Personality Award and many more to add to his credentials.

His divine teachings are exclusively telecasted in various TV channels and millions all over the world have been blessed. His mission is boundless and his effort to attain peace starts right from within himself. He engrosses in strict divine penance for continuous 6 months every year praying for world peace and harmony. He has promoted the principles of non-violence with his recent display of 1532 varieties of different vegetarian food emphasizing on "Vegetarianism being the best way of living". Further, he stood as a champion for the unity of the world exhibiting 2007 varieties of sweets from all over the world attracting millions to the message of "Unity in Diversity". His vision of world peace began at India's most important holy place Benaras with the lighting of 131,000 lamps on the banks of River Ganges with immense prayers and rituals.

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