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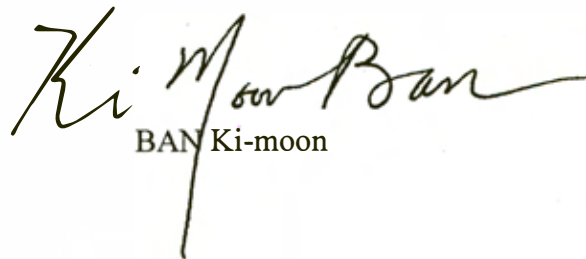
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I sincerely appreciate your expression of condolences at the tragic loss of life among United Nations personnel serving in Haiti as a result of the devastating earthquake which struck on 12 January 2010. Your kind words are a source of great comfort during this difficult period.

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Thank you again for your solidarity and support.

Please accept, Your Majesty, the assurances of my highest consideration.

  
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Her Majesty  
Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands  
The Hague



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BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency  
Mr. Eladio Loizaga  
Adviser to the Office of the  
Minister for Foreign Affairs of the  
Republic of Paraguay  
Asunción



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Excelencia:

Agradezco sinceramente sus condolencias ante la trágica pérdida de vidas de los funcionarios de las Naciones Unidas apostados en Haití, víctimas del devastador terremoto ocurrido el pasado 12 de enero. Sus palabras de aliento sirven de gran alivio en este difícil momento.

Al mismo tiempo que las Naciones Unidas lloran su pérdida, también siguen comprometidas a continuar con su misión en Haití, así como con las tareas de recuperación y reconstrucción del país. Estoy convencido de que el deseo más ferviente de nuestros colegas caídos era que continuemos el trabajo que tan valientemente emprendieron.

Muchas gracias nuevamente por la solidaridad y el apoyo del Gobierno de la República de Colombia.

Le ruego acepte, Vuestra Excelencia, las seguridades de mi más alta y distinguida consideración.

  
BAN/Ki-moon

Excelentísimo Señor  
Jaime Bermúdez Merizalde  
Ministro de Relaciones Exteriores  
de la República de Colombia  
Bogotá, D.C.



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Dear Ms. Sheeran,

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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ban Ki-moon", is written over a printed name. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ban" being particularly prominent.

BAN Ki-moon

Ms. Josette Sheeran  
Executive Director  
World Food Programme  
Rome

**SG's thank you letters re earthquake in Haiti on 12 January 2010**

1. Her Majesty Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands
2. H.E. Mr. Eladio Loizaga, Adviser to the Office of the Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Paraguay (former Permanent Representative of Paraguay to the UN)
3. H.E. Mr. Jaime Bermúdez Merizalde, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Colombia
4. Ms. Josette Sheeran, Executive Director of the World Food Programme

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