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Dear Ms. Bokova,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I wish to thank you for your letter dated 12 January 2011, inviting him to participate in the meeting to mark the closing of the 2010 International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures, to be held at the United Nations Headquarters on 11 March 2011.

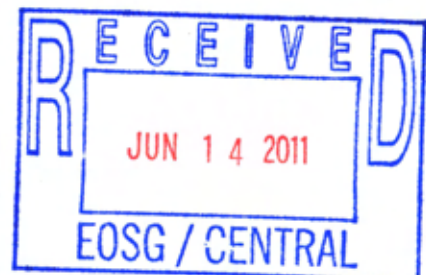
The Secretary-General appreciates your kind invitation. Please be assured that your request has been noted and that I will revert to you in due course with a definitive reply as his schedule for March 2011 develops. Allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes of success.

Yours sincerely,

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Vijay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet

Ms. Irina Bokova
Director-General
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Dear colleagues,

I wish to forward to you a letter of invitation from Irina Bokova, Director-General of UNESCO, to the Secretary-General. It is to open a UNESCO event marking the end of the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures, which will take place starting at 10:00am on 11 March in conf room 4.

I will contact your office next week to follow-up on the SG's availability.

Thank you and best wishes for the New Year
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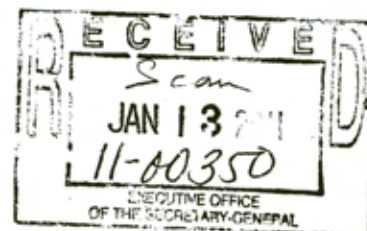
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12 JAN 2011

Dear Secretary-General,

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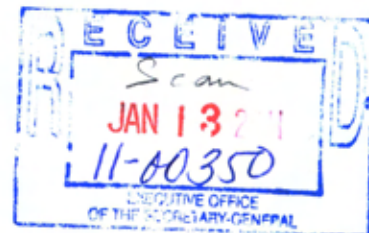
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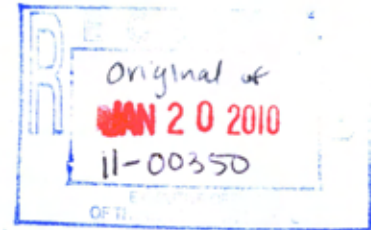
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