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Dear Ms. Knoll,

Thank you for your request, received on 22 August 2007, in which you invite the Secretary-General to provide a blurb for *Learning a New Land: Immigrant Students in American Society*.

I regret to inform you that the Secretary-General will be unable to meet your request. Please allow me to thank you for your interest in the United Nations.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M'.

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Secretary General Kofi Annan
His Excellency the Former Secretary General of the United Nations
Office of the Secretary General
East 42d Street and First Avenue
Room S-3800
New York, NY 10017



Dear Secretary General Annan,

One child in five in America is the child of immigrants, and their numbers increase each year. Almost none of them will go "home" to a country they barely remember. Who are they? What America do they live in, and want to join? *Learning a New Land: Immigrant Students in American Society*, by Marcelo and Carola Suárez-Orozco, soon to be published by Harvard University Press, draws on a unique longitudinal study of 400 immigrant children from many countries, to give a compelling picture of their lives, aspirations, successes and failures in America. For some, the first five years see them going off to college, living the American dream. For others, the first five years bring disappointment and trouble. *Learning A New Land* tells their stories, and what makes the difference to them.

HUP is proud to be publishing this book and we want to get it all the attention it deserves. A statement from you that we could use on the back of the jacket, on our website, or in other promotional material, would help it a great deal.

As you see, I enclose a copy of the page proofs. If you are able to read them, and having read them, feel able to give us a blurb, we would be very grateful to have it by the first week of September. We would of course give you a copy of the finished book when it is published.

Thank you, in advance, for any support you can give to this impressive book.

With best wishes,

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