



**SG letter to Mayor T. Akiba of Hiroshima**

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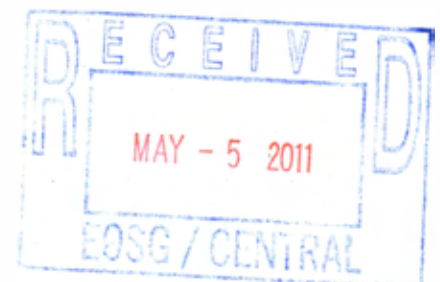
Please find attached note to Mr. Nambiar along with a letter for the Secretary-General's signature addressed to Mr. Akiba, Mayor of Hiroshima. The letter is in reply to Mr. Akiba's farewell letter as his term as Mayor of Hiroshima expires.

Thank you.

Marie

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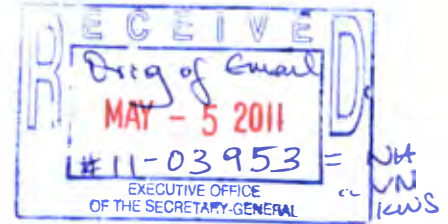
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**Note to Mr. Nambiar**

**LETTER TO MAYOR AKIBA**



1. This is in reference to a letter dated 30 March 2011 from Mayor Akiba informing the Secretary-General of his resignation as mayor of the city of Hiroshima.
2. Attached please find a draft letter from the Secretary-General to Mayor Akiba which is submitted for his consideration and approval.

S. Duarte  
3 May 2011

cc: Mr. W. Kim

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... May 2011

Dear Mayor Akiba,

I wish to thank **you** for your letter of 30 March 2011. I would also like to take this opportunity to express my sincere gratitude for your invaluable **contribution** in promoting nuclear disarmament.

Being the first Secretary-General to attend the Peace Memorial Ceremony was truly one of my most memorable and moving experiences. As I mentioned in my remarks on that day, it was heartening to see that Hiroshima has been remade into an epicentre of peace. This was all the more evident during **your** twelve years of service as mayor of the city of Hiroshima.

I applaud your steadfast dedication to peace and wish to acknowledge your **unwavering** efforts for the abolition of nuclear weapons. Your strong commitment enheartens and strengthens my resolve to pursue these goals. Your dedication will continue to inspire future generations to **work** tirelessly to achieve a world free of nuclear weapons.

I would like to extend my best wishes for success in your future endeavours.

Yours sincerely,

Ban Ki-moon

Mr. Tadatoshi Akiba  
Mayor  
The City of Hiroshima

広島市長

秋葉忠利

March 30, 2011

His Excellency Mr. Ban Ki-moon  
Secretary-General  
United Nations



Excellency:

I trust that this letter finds you well.

I am writing to inform you that with the expiration of the current mayoral term on April 7, 2011, I will officially resign from my position as mayor of the city of Hiroshima.

During the three terms I have served since first taking office in February 1999, I have worked with the citizens of Hiroshima to promote a municipal administration of the citizens, by the citizens, and for the citizens, while also striving to make Hiroshima a model city of the world. I received guidance and encouragement from so many people in the last twelve years, I cannot begin to name them, but I take great pride in our collective accomplishments. I am profoundly grateful to everyone who helped me through this amazing experience.

Now, as a private citizen, I intend to continue to do everything I can to promote the development of Hiroshima City, the abolition of nuclear weapons, and the achievement of genuine and lasting world peace. I look forward to working with you and sincerely hope that you will continue to give me your generous support and guidance.

In closing, please accept my gratitude and warmest wishes for your continued good health and success.

Sincerely yours,

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