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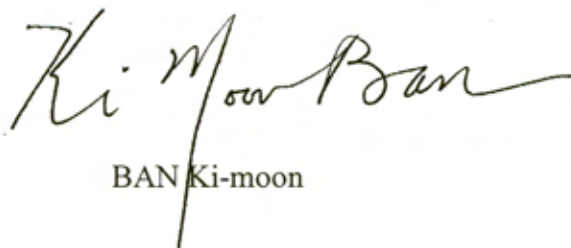
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Dear Mr. Roed-Larsen,

I wish to thank you for your letter of 19 July 2010, co-signed by His Excellency Mr. Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Spain. I am grateful for your kind invitation to attend the fifth informal ministerial dinner, to be held in New York on 19 September 2010.

The meeting comes at a timely juncture to exchange views on the situation in the Middle East and discuss ways to address the new challenges of a peaceful future for the region. I regret to inform you that, owing to prior commitments, I will be unable to take part in this important gathering. However, I have designated Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, to represent me on this occasion. Let me take this opportunity to convey my best wishes for a successful meeting. A similar response has been sent to His Excellency Mr. Miguel Ángel Moratinos Cuyaubé.

Yours sincerely,

  
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