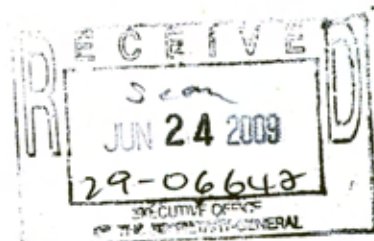


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MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF GEORGIA

June 19, 2009

Excellency,

I would like to use this opportunity and extend my sincere compliments to you.

The purpose of this letter is to share with you some observations concerning the situation in Abkhazia. Georgia taken into consideration the latest developments in the UN Security Council's session held on 15th of June, 2009.

Excellency,

Georgia, together with the entire UN community deeply regrets Russia's decision to veto a draft resolution on the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG). Russia's decision to discontinue the UNOMIG's mandate is yet another blatant violation of its international obligations undertaken by the August 12, 2008 cease-fire agreement and its implementing measures of September 8, 2009.

Termination of the mandate for the UNOMIG will create a black hole for the protection of human rights of the local population, including the voluntary, safe, and dignified return of internally displaced persons and refugees to their home of residence throughout the territory of Abkhazia, Georgia and military transparency on the ground as well.

His Excellency Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of
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Excellency,

The local population will be the first victim of the Russian decision to veto the presence of UNOMIG in Abkhazia, Georgia. In this regard, I am convinced that only enhanced presence of different UN agencies in Georgia, including in the occupied territories of Abkhazia and South Ossetia, can create ground for the conditions necessary for the protection of the local population.

In this regard, I would like to underline that Georgia stands ready to fully cooperate with UNHCR, UNDP, WHO, WFP, UNEP, OCHA and other relevant UN agencies and programs with the aim of maintaining strong UN presence on the ground in order to tackle above mentioned challenges. Certainly, on these very important matters we attach great importance to your Special Representative's crucial role.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Grigol Vashadze

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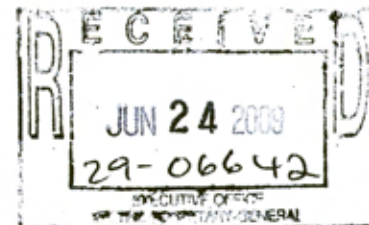
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Excellency,



I have the honor to transmit the annexed letter of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, H.E. Mr. Grigol Vashadze dated June 19, 2009.

Please, accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely,

Annex: 2 pages.

Alexander Lomaia
Permanent Representative

H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General
United Nations
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