

Djibouti



Yeocheol Yoon/NY/UNO
08/05/2008 09:03 AM

To Kaori Minami/NY/UNO@UNHQ
cc Sanghwa Lee/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Sebastien
Lawson/NY/UNO@UNHQ
bcc

Subject Re: Africa Day -- 21 May

The host contacted me and I explained the situation and we agreed to stay in touch when SG goes to DC next time.

Kaori Minami/NY/UNO



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08/05/2008 오전 08:45

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cc Sanghwa Lee/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Sebastien
Lawson/NY/UNO@UNHQ
Subject Africa Day -- 21 May

Good morning Mr. Yoon --

We have an invitation from the Embassy of Djibouti for the SG to attend the Africa Day celebration on 21 May in Washington DC.

I suppose we can regret?

Kaori



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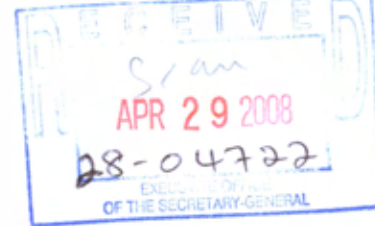


The Ambassador

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April 25, 2008

His Excellency, Ban Ki-Moon
Secretary-General, United Nations
United Nations,
New York, NY 10017
United States of America

YHC to Secretary

4/Embassy (email attached)

To Central

(Kw 8 May)

Dear Secretary-General,

The African Diplomatic Corps in Washington, D.C., in collaboration with the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, will be celebrating Africa Day on May 21, 2008. This annual event is often celebratory and ceremonial in nature. But this year we would also like to organize a program that will give visibility to a serious discussion of the fundamental challenges and opportunities facing the African continent. It is towards this end that we are writing to ask if you would consider serving as our featured Africa Day speaker. Your public address would be given at the Woodrow Wilson Center on May 21, commencing at 3pm. We believe there is no one better positioned than you to generate the attention of the media and of Washington-based policymakers.

The international community represented by the United Nations Organization has been a key player in lending its support to Africa over the decades since its independence. Through its peacekeeping operations and development initiatives, the UN has placed Africa at the heart of its agenda and Africa is highly appreciative of that fact. Since assuming your responsibility, you have demonstrated keen interest in sustaining the UN commitment to Africa already; we think it would be important to give you the opportunity to outline your thinking and policy directions towards the Continent. Invited to the seminar will be the African diplomatic corps and US policy leaders and opinion makers, along with the international press; so, your remarks could have a significant impact on perceptions both of Africa and of the United Nations.

We look forward to hosting you and hearing your insights on the challenges and opportunities facing Africa, and on the role of the International community in assisting the Continent in achieving its full potential.

Sincerely,

H.E. Roble Ollhaye

Lee H. Hamilton, President and Director
Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars

Howard Wolpe, Director
Africa Program