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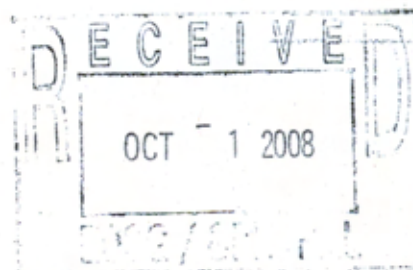
I wish to thank you for your letter received on 25 August 2008, in which you extended an invitation for me to deliver a keynote address at the third Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction, to be held from 2 to 4 December 2008 in Kuala Lumpur.

Much to my regret, I have to inform you that I will be unable to participate owing to scheduling reasons. Nevertheless, let me take this opportunity to convey my best wishes for a successful conference.

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

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His Excellency
Dato' Sri Mohd Najib
Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia
Kuala Lumpur



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Excellency,

The Secretary-General would be grateful if you could kindly forward the enclosed letter to His Excellency Dato' Sri Mohd Najib, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Malaysia.

A copy of the letter is attached for your information.

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

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Vijay Nambiar".

Vijay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet

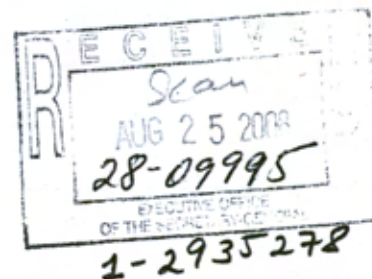
His Excellency
Mr. Hamidon Ali
Permanent Representative of Malaysia
to the United Nations
New York

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DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER
MALAYSIA



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H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of the United Nations
1, United Nations Plaza
New York 10017-3515
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Excellency,

INVITATION TO THE 3RD ASIAN MINISTERIAL CONFERENCE ON DISASTER RISK EDUCATION 2-4 DECEMBER 2008, KUALA LUMPUR

I am pleased to inform you that the Government of Malaysia will be hosting the 3rd Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction on 2-4 December 2008 at the Putra World Trade Centre in Kuala Lumpur. In that regard, I have the honour to invite you to deliver a keynote address at the inaugural session that will take place on 2 December 2008 between 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

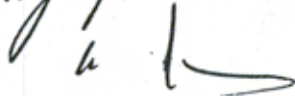
The Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction is a unique process that has evolved through Asian Governments' initiatives, with the support of the United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction to promote the effective implementation of the Hyogo Framework for Action for the period 2005 to 2015, and to monitor the progress of disaster risk reduction initiatives being undertaken in Asia and the Pacific region.

The 3rd Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction shall follow-up on the Beijing Action and Delhi Declaration adopted at the 1st and 2nd Ministerial Conferences held respectively in Beijing, 2005 and India, 2007. It is expected to enhance innovative approaches in relation to climate change adaption and emerging partnership with the private sector, local communities and the media in disaster risk reduction.

We believe your direct contribution to this event would send a positive signal to the world, reaffirming your personal commitment and continued efforts in reducing the world's vulnerabilities to disasters, and would further encourage the laudable efforts initiated by the Ministers in Asia and the Pacific in mitigating the impact of disasters on their national development.

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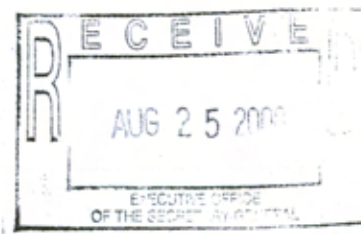
Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Sincerely yours,


(DATO' SRI MOHD NAJIB)



PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF MALAYSIA
TO THE UNITED NATIONS
NEW YORK



25 August 2008

Excellency,

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith a copy of a letter from the Honourable Dato' Seri Mohd Najib Tun Razak, Deputy Prime Minister of Malaysia, inviting you to the "3rd Asian Ministerial Conference on Disaster Risk Reduction", which will be held from 2 – 4 December 2008 in Kuala Lumpur.

I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to Your Excellency the assurances of my highest considerations.

Sincerely,

Hapudon Ali
Ambassador and Permanent Representative

His Excellency Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of the United Nations
NEW YORK