



Response to Invitation to the Secretary-General: 5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue, Berlin, 14-15 July 2014

Rommel Maranan to: info
Cc: Alexandra Barahona Posada

10/07/2014 12:22 PM

From: Rommel Maranan/NY/UNO
To: info@new-york-un.diplo.de,
Cc: Alexandra Barahona Posada/NY/UNO@UNHQ

Dear Sir / Madam,

I would be grateful if you could convey the attached formal communication from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General to H.E. Mr. Harald Braun, in regard to the above-mentioned subject.

The original letter has been sent to your Mission via messenger service. Please confirm receipt of this e-mail.

Thank you and best regards,

Rommel Christopher Maranan
Scheduling Office of the Secretary-General
Executive Office of the Secretary-General
United Nations
Room S-3804
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**Representation of the Secretary-General by Ms. Figueres: 5th Petersberg
Climate Dialogue, Berlin, 14-15 July 2014**

Rommel Maranan to: dvioletti

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Cc: Alexandra Barahona Posada, Poorti Sapatnekar, ekolasa

From: Rommel Maranan/NY/UNO

To: dvioletti@unfccc.int,

Cc: Alexandra Barahona Posada/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Poorti Sapatnekar/NY/UNO@UNHQ,
ekolasa@unfccc.int

Dear Mr. Violetti,

I would be grateful if you could convey the attached formal communication from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General to Ms. Figueres, in regard to the above-mentioned subject.

Please confirm receipt of this e-mail. The original letter has been sent to your office via mail.

Thank you and best regards,

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THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

9 July 2014

Excellency,

I would like to thank you for your letter dated 13 May 2014, inviting me to participate in the 5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue, to be held in Berlin on 14 and 15 July 2014.

I appreciate your kind invitation. Unfortunately, I regret to inform you that I will be unable to attend the event, owing to prior commitments and pressing demands on my schedule during the said dates. However, in view of its importance, I have designated Ms. Christiana Figueres, Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, to represent me at the event. The office of Ms. Figueres will be in contact with your office to discuss the details of her participation.

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my best wishes for a successful event.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ki-moon Ban". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ki" and last name "Ban" clearly visible, and "moon" written in a smaller, more connected script in between.
BAN Ki-moon

Her Excellency
Mrs. Angela Merkel
Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany
Berlin

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
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9 July 2014

Excellency,

The Secretary-General would be grateful if you could kindly forward the enclosed letter to Her Excellency Mrs. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany.

A copy of the letter is attached for your information.

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



Susana Malcorra
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency
Mr. Harald Braun
Permanent Representative of Germany
to the United Nations
New York

Note to Ms. Figueres

5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue

I would like to thank you for agreeing to represent the Secretary-General at the 5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue, to be held in Berlin on 14 and 15 July 2014.

Please find attached the relevant correspondence.

Best regards.



Susana Malcorra
9 July 2014



**Re: Friendly Follow-up: Time Sensitive For SPU's Advice on Representation:
5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue_Berlin 14-15 July 2014**

Poorti Sapatnekar to: Alexandra Barahona Posada

03/07/2014 11:50 AM

Cc: Aminata Sy, Daw Yi Mon Aung, ferascu, Gelila Terrefe, Jackilyn
Punsal, Wook-Jin Chang, Rommel Maranan, Rachel Stein-Holmes

Dear Alex,

The CCST has just reverted with their recommendation that no written or video message should be sent.
Representation by Ms. Figueres will suffice.

Many thanks indeed and apologies again for the time taken to respond. There were some sensitive
political issues to be considered before the decision could be taken.

Best regards,
Poorti

Alexandra Barahona Posada

Dear Poorti -- any advice on the possi...

02/07/2014 03:33:18 PM

From: Alexandra Barahona Posada/NY/UNO

To: Poorti Sapatnekar/NY/UNO@UNHQ,

Cc: Aminata Sy/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Daw Yi Mon Aung/NY/UNO@UNHQ, ferascu@un.org, Gelila
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Rommel Maranan/NY/UNO@UNHQ

Date: 02/07/2014 03:33 PM

Subject: Re: Friendly Follow-up: Time Sensitive For SPU's Advice on Representation: 5th Petersberg
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Dear Poorti -- any advice on the possible message for this event?

Many thanks for your feedback,
Alex

Poorti Sapatnekar Dear Alex, My apologies for the late reply. Mr. O...

30/06/2014 03:40:48 PM

Alexandra Barahona Posada Dear Poorti This is a friendly follow-up...

30/06/2014 03:34:24 PM

Alexandra Barahona Posada Dear Poorti, I refer to the above menti...

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**For SPU's Advice on Representation: 5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue_Berlin
14-15 July 2014**

Alexandra Barahona Posada to: Poorti Sapatnekar

25/06/2014 05:36 PM

Cc: Wook-Jin Chang, Gelila Terrefe, Jackilyn Punsal, Daw Yi Mon Aung,
Aminata Sy, ferascu

Dear Poorti,

I refer to the above mentioned invitation (attached for ease of reference). The Secretary-General will not be able to attend. Hence we would appreciate receiving SPU's advice in regards to:

- (1) Whether this event merits the need of representation on behalf of the SG
- (2) If a representation is recommended, kindly provide the name/title and confirmed availability of the UN Senior Official who should be designated to attend this event on behalf of the Secretary-General
- (3) Whether it would be necessary for the SG to send a written message to this event.

Most grateful to receive SPU's advice for CdC's final approval by Wednesday, 2 July 2014.

Many thanks in advance,
Alex



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Dear Jim,
Following up on an
earlier discussion,
is SA definitely "not"
going? If so, we should
look into representation
if you agree? Thanks,
JA

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The Federal Republic of Germany
The Federal Chancellor

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13 May 2014

Secretary-General, dear Ban Ki-moon (m.p.),

✓ Thank you very much for the invitation to the Climate Summit which you will host in New York on 23 September 2014.

I agree with you that the climate policy decisions we take now will have major implications for the future. The international community must make every effort to ensure that we reach our common goal of a universal climate agreement which limits global temperature rise to under two degrees Celsius, and work hard to avert the far-reaching negative effects of climate change for our planet and our society. The latest reports from the Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change have reiterated these dangers and provided a firmer scientific basis for our concerns. But they are also encouraging, for they show that the necessary technological, economic and institutional change is possible and compatible with a continued rise in prosperity.

✓ I salute the tremendous personal dedication you are bringing to ambitious and comprehensive new climate agreement. You may have political support. Unfortunately, I will not be able to attend the Climate Summit on 23 September 2014 in person. I will however make sure that Ger

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SG is not going to attend. Please check with Poothi on representation.

His Excellency Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

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His Excellency Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of the United Nations
New York

✓ political level and that the urgency and seriousness we attach to this matter is adequately expressed.

I would like to propose another way in which we could jointly signal our support for the international climate negotiations. Following the Climate Conference in Copenhagen in 2009, Germany established the Petersberg Climate Dialogue; this annual event is organised mid-year together with the host country of the next Conference of Parties to the Climate Change Convention. It brings together environment ministers from some 35 of the most important countries involved, including states from all negotiating groups, who report on their activities and discuss their expectations of the next COP. This high-level event has become a key fixture on the international climate policy agenda.

✓ This year's event, the 5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue, to be held in Berlin on 14-15 July, will be co-chaired by Peru. It will not only lay the groundwork for the COP in Lima this December, but will also help set the course for your Climate Summit in New York in September. It is thus my great privilege and honour to invite you to this meeting in Berlin, where we would be able to jointly demonstrate our support for both the Climate Summit and the international climate negotiations. I will open the political segment of the conference at 2 p.m. on 14 July, together with President Ollanta Humala of Peru. Your attendance at this part of the conference, which is open to the press, would be of great value.

I attach great importance to our joint efforts to advance the climate negotiations and look forward to working with you to this end.

Yours sincerely,
(sgd) Angela Merkel

Berlin, 13. Mai 2014

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Seiner Exzellenz
dem Generalsekretär der Vereinten Nationen
Herrn Ban Ki-moon

New York

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE
OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Sehr geehrter Herr Generalsekretär, *liebe Ban Ki-moon*

herzlichen Dank für Ihr Einladungsschreiben zum Weltklimagipfel, den Sie am 23. September 2014 in New York ausrichten.

Ich teile Ihre Einschätzung, dass wir in der internationalen Klimapolitik vor wichtigen Weichenstellungen stehen. Die internationale Staatengemeinschaft muss alle Anstrengungen unternehmen, damit wir unser gemeinsames Ziel – ein weltweites Klimaschutzabkommen, das die Einhaltung der 2-Grad-Obergrenze ermöglicht – erreichen und die weitreichenden Gefahren des Klimawandels für unseren Planeten und unsere Gesellschaft abwenden. Die neuen Berichte des Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change zeigen uns erneut und noch fundierter diese Gefahren auf. Aber sie machen uns auch Mut, denn sie belegen, dass der erforderliche technologische, wirtschaftliche und institutionelle Wandel möglich und mit einem weiterhin steigenden Wohlstand vereinbar ist.

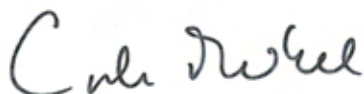
Ich begrüße sehr Ihr großes persönliches Engagement, mit dem Sie sich in die Vorbereitungen für ein neues, umfassendes und ambitioniertes Klimaschutzabkommen einbringen. Ich versichere Ihnen dazu meine volle politische Unterstützung. Leider ist es mir persönlich nicht möglich, Ihrer Einladung zur Teilnahme am Weltklimagipfel am 23. September 2014 in New York zu folgen. Ich werde dafür Sorge tragen, dass Deutschland politisch hochrangig vertreten ist und die Dringlichkeit und Ernsthaftigkeit unseres Anliegens adäquat zum Ausdruck kommt.

Ich möchte Ihnen zudem den Vorschlag für ein gemeinsames positives Signal für die internationalen Klimaverhandlungen unterbreiten. Deutschland hat nach der Klimakonferenz in Kopenhagen 2009 den Petersberger Klimadialog ins Leben gerufen; er wird jeweils zur Jahresmitte gemeinsam mit dem Gastgeberland der nächsten Klima-Vertragsstaatenkonferenz ausgerichtet. Es treffen sich Umweltminister aus ca. 35 für die Klimaverhandlungen wichtigen Staaten aller Verhandlungsgruppen und tauschen sich über ihre Aktivitäten und die Erwartungen an die nächste Klima-Vertragsstaatenkonferenz aus. Die hochrangige Konferenzreihe ist ein zentraler Termin der internationalen Klimapolitik geworden.

Beim diesjährigen 5. Petersberger Klimadialog am 14./15. Juli in Berlin hat Peru den Ko-Vorsitz. In diesem Jahr soll er nicht nur die Vertragsstaatenkonferenz in Lima im Dezember 2014 vorbereiten, sondern auch Orientierung für den von Ihnen initiierten Weltklimagipfel im September in New York geben. Es wäre mir daher eine große Ehre und Freude, wenn ich Sie zu dieser Konferenz in Berlin begrüßen dürfte und wir so gemeinsam sowohl den Weltklimagipfel als auch die internationalen Klimaverhandlungen unterstützen könnten. Gemeinsam mit dem peruanischen Präsident Ollanta Humala werde ich die Konferenz am 14. Juli ab 14 Uhr politisch eröffnen. Ihre Teilnahme im Rahmen dieses presseöffentlichen Konferenzsegments wäre sehr wertvoll.

Unser gemeinsamer Einsatz für den Fortschritt der Klimaverhandlungen ist mir ein wichtiges Anliegen, dem ich mit großer Freude entgegen sehe.

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

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H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of the United Nations
Secretariat Building, 38/F.
New York, NY 10017

Ambassador Heiko Thoms

Chargé d'Affaires a. i.

New York, May 27th, 2014

Excellency,

I have the honor to forward a letter from Dr. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany, in which she cordially invites you to the opening of the political segment of the 5th Petersberg Climate Dialogue in Berlin at 2 p.m. on July 14th, 2014.

I sincerely hope that your busy agenda will allow you to attend this important event and I am looking forward to receiving a positive response by your office in due course.

A courtesy translation of the letter is attached.

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

Sincerely,