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MESSAGE TO INTERN YEARBOOK

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Over the years, UN Headquarters in New York City has hosted hundreds of graduate students from around the world. Hailing from diverse academic disciplines and backgrounds, these interns are given the opportunity to enhance their educational experience through practical work assignments. At the same time, UN staff members gain from the insights, energy and fresh perspectives that these young men and women bring to the job.

The photographs in this yearbook highlight the diversity and spirit of cooperation among colleagues who have come from different parts of the world to work together for the common good. It is a moving display.

To this year's class of interns, my message is this: Your generation has a special opportunity. You live in a potentially transformational moment in world history. Now that you have gained exposure and insight into the work of the United Nations, I urge you to carry forth your knowledge, dedication and energy and continue making your contribution as global citizens and ambassadors.

You are also part of history in another way. You are among the last to serve at the Headquarters complex before it closes for renovation.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your meaningful contribution and hard work this summer. I trust you have had a rewarding and enjoyable experience, and I wish you the very best in your future endeavours.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ki-moon Ban".
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