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18 December 2007

Dear Ms. Ferguson,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I thank you for your letter of 7 November 2007, inviting him to attend the 60 Anniversary Conference of the International Association for Exchange of Students for Technical Experience, to be held from 18 to 21 January 2008 in Jordan.

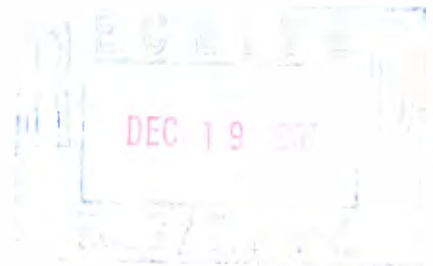
The Secretary-General appreciates your kind invitation to this important gathering. Regrettably, I must inform you that he will not be able to attend owing to the demands on his schedule. Let me nevertheless take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event.

With thanks for your kind understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Yeocheol Yoon
Special Assistant
Chief, Scheduling Office

Ms. Pauline Ferguson
General Secretary
The International Association for Exchange
of Students for Technical Experience
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THE INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR THE EXCHANGE OF STUDENTS FOR TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Secretary-General
Ban Ki-moon
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7 November 2007

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I write as General Secretary of IAESTE A.s.b.l. to invite you to attend the 60th Anniversary Conference of our Association in Jordan in January 2008. The International Body of IAESTE is a non political, independent, non governmental Association in consultative relationship with the United Nations since 1950-51 and in January 2008 we celebrate 60 years of exchanging students of Engineering and Science, Agriculture and Architecture among our 86 Member countries.

Since January 1948 when IAESTE was established in Imperial College London, 325,000 students have been exchanged around the world, benefiting not only from the work placements provided by Industry, Research establishments and Universities, but also developing professionally and personally as they worked along side their peers from different backgrounds, colours and creeds.

In the last year 2 new Co-operating Institutions from the Republic of Korea have joined our Association and are very keen to offer their students from Seoul and Keimyung University in the South the opportunity which IAESTE avails them.

We are very proud of our Association with the UN and one of our Board Members attended your 60th Anniversary Conference in September so I would be delighted if you could attend or delegate someone to join, this, the biggest event in our history, from 18-21 January in Jordan.

As I prepare for the Conference I have been delving through the records of our Association and noted a letter received on the occasion of our 25th Anniversary from the then Secretary - General of the United Nations, Kurt Waldheim, congratulating IAESTE on its achievements. If it is not possible for you to attend would you be so kind as to send a letter so that I can read it to the Members and Co-operating Institutions, made up of many individuals who over the years have offered selflessly of their time, expertise and friendship to the students of the world who will one day be the leaders of tomorrow.

Yours faithfully

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