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Excellency,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter dated 19 March 2013, inviting him and Mrs. Ban to the April 23<sup>rd</sup> International Children's Festival, organized by the Turkish Radio-Television Corporation, held in Izmir from 14 to 24 April 2013.

The Secretary-General and Mrs. Ban appreciate your kind invitation. Unfortunately, I regret to inform you that they will be unable to attend the event, owing to prior commitments. Nevertheless, allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event.

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



Susana Malcorra  
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency  
Mr. Bülent Arınç  
Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic  
of Turkey  
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Excellency,

I would be grateful if you could kindly forward ~~the~~ attached letter to His Excellency Mr. Bülent Arinç, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey.

A copy of the letter is attached for your information.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke, identifying the signatory as Susana Malcorra.

Susana Malcorra  
Chef de Cabinet

His Excellency  
Mr. Y. Halit Çevik  
Permanent Representative of Turkey  
to the United Nations  
New York



**Response to Invitation to the Secretary-General: International Children's Festival organized by Turkish Radio-Television Corp., Izmir, 14-24 April 2013**

**Rommel Maranan** to: nuriye.senol

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Cc: tr-delegation.newyork@mfa.gov.tr, Kaori Minami/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Jackilyn Punsal/NY/UNO@UNHQ

Dear Nuriye,

Please convey the attached scan of formal communication from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General to H.E. Mr. Y. Halit Çevik, in regard to the above-mentioned invitation.

Kindly note that the original has been sent via special mail.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,  
Rommel

**Rommel Christopher Maranan**

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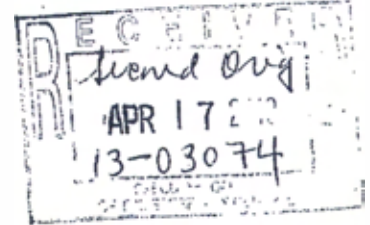
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Via e-mail

No : 76550165/821.03/ 524  
Subject: TRT 23<sup>rd</sup> April Intl. Children's Festival

Ankara, 19/03/2013

**His Excellency Ban Ki-Moon and Madam Yoo (Ban) Soon-Taek**  
**Secretary General of the United Nations**  
**New York**



Dear Mr. Secretary-General and Madam Yoo (Ban) Soon-Taek,

It is our great honor to cordially invite you to the "April 23<sup>rd</sup> International Children's Festival" organized by the Turkish Radio-Television Corporation (TRT) on 14-24 April 2013 in Izmir, western Turkey.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> of April has been dedicated to the children worldwide by Great Leader Mustafa Kemal Atatürk on the occasion of the foundation of the Turkish Grand National Assembly in 1920. In previous celebrations so far, around 23000 children and 6500 adults from 110 countries participated in the Festival.

This year, the 35th edition will take place with a rich diversity of children dance groups performing their colorful shows.

Obviously, Mr. Ban's well-known personal aspects of tolerance, his sincere devotion into democracy and human rights, his advocacy for harmonization of nations, as well as his universal position as a bridge-builder with a wide scale of influence worldwide will further will contribute to the Festival's function of joining people and will make the Festival a more visible celebration.

Also, the participation of Mrs. Ban, who is mentioned in gratitude and love for her devotion into women's and children's health, will ensure that children's desires for peace and brotherhood will be more strongly echoed around the world.

Hoping to see your attendance in this meaningful event, which reaffirms faith in peace and aims to unite people for a better world.

Yours Sincerely,

**Bülent ARINÇ**  
Deputy Prime Minister

Note :

The Turkish Mission  
has been informed ahead  
that SG & Madame will  
not be able to attend.

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The Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Executive Office of the Secretary General and with reference to its Note No: 2013/14136816/64948 dated 5 April 2013, pertaining to the invitation letter by H.E. Mr. Bülent Arınç, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey, addressed to H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon, Secretary General of the United Nations and his esteemed spouse Mrs. Ban for the "April 23rd International Children's Festival" organized by the Turkish Radio Television Corporation, between 14 and 24 April 2013, in İzmir, has the honour to enclose herewith the original letter of the invitation.

The Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Office of the Secretary General the assurances of its highest consideration.

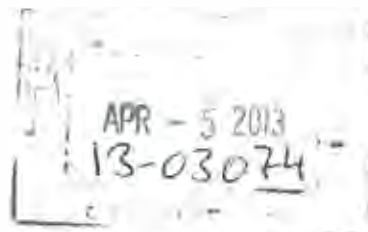


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New York



Turkish Radio-Television Corporation



H.E. Ban Ki-Moon  
Secretary General  
United Nations

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04/04/2013

Dear Mr Secretary General,

It is my honor to cordially invite you to the 35th "23 April International Children's Festival" organized by the Turkish Radio Television Corporation (TRT) between 14 and 24 April, 2013 in Izmir.

The 23rd of April, the date when Turkish Grand National Assembly was first convened in 1920, has been dedicated to the children of the World by the founder of the Republic of Turkey, Mustafa Kemal Atatürk.

TRT has been celebrating 23 April by organizing an international festival with the participation of children from around the World who perform colourful shows of dance and folklore. So far, more than 23,000 children and 6,500 accompanying adults from 110 countries have participated in the previous 34 commemorations.

Your participation to the Festival will greatly enrich this international commemoration and help further spread the message of constant harmony between the nations of the World and the ideals of democracy and human rights, also values which you are devotedly attached.

I would like to extend this invitation to your esteemed wife, Mrs. Ban, who is well-known for her travails to improve mother and child health. Indeed, your participation as a couple to the 35th International Children's Festival will promote our common resolve to leave a better world for our children and instill in them shared feelings of brotherhood, to be precise, the ideals of the United Nations.

I am looking forward to see Your Excellency and your esteemed wife in Izmir in this international event which will strengthen our faith in peace and unity among nations through affirming the children of today, adults and decision-makers of tomorrow.

Yours Sincerely,

Bülent Arınç  
Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey



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The Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Executive Office of the Secretary General and has the honour to enclose herewith a copy of the invitation letter by H.E. Mr. Bülent Arınç, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Turkey, addressed to H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon and his esteemed spouse Mrs. Ban for the "23 April International Children's Festival" organized by the Turkish Radio Television Corporation, between 14 and 24 April 2013, in İzmir.

The Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Office of the Secretary General the assurances of its highest consideration.

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