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His Excellency
Ban Ki-Moon
Secretary General of the United Nations
United Nations Headquarters
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Dear Secretary-General,

We have been so pleased to welcome you and your family to the Met over the years, and would like to extend to you and Mrs. Ban an invitation to attend and make brief remarks at the Asia Week New York annual reception being hosted at The Metropolitan Museum of Art on Monday, March 17th from 6:30-8:30pm. Asia Week New York is a collaboration between art specialists, museums, auction houses, and cultural institutions joining together to celebrate and promote Asian art in New York City, and the Met is thrilled to open its doors in support of this great pursuit. I have asked Emily Rafferty, President of the Museum, to host the event as I will be traveling on that date. Emily would be delighted to greet you, as would Maxwell Hearn, the Douglas Dillon Chairman of Asian Art. Kindly have your office be in touch with Caryn Lewi at 212-396-5532 to let us know if you can join us.

On another note, I understand that Mrs. Ban recently had an opportunity to view *Silla: Korea's Golden Kingdom*. I hope that she and her guests enjoyed their tour of this extraordinary exhibition. It has proven to be a great draw for local and international visitors alike, and we are so proud to have these culturally significant objects on view at the Met.

Yours sincerely,

Thomas P. Campbell

cc: Emily K. Rafferty
Maxwell Hearn

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NOTE TO MS. MALCORRA

Invitation for the Secretary-General from the Metropolitan Museum of Art

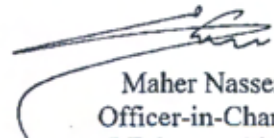
#14-01142 Further to your recent discussion with Mr. Launsky-Tieffenthal, the Director of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Mr. Thomas Campbell, has invited the Secretary-General to attend and make brief remarks at the opening reception of Asia Week New York on Monday 17 March.

Asia Week New York is an annual celebration organized by major city museums, art galleries, auction houses and art specialists to promote Asian art. The evening reception at the Metropolitan Museum will bring together more than 500 people, including many prominent figures in New York's cultural circles.

The Department of Public Information believes this event is an opportunity for the Secretary-General, and the Organization, to be more visible in New York and engaged in the city's life. It would also further the Department's efforts to strengthen the ties between the United Nations and its host city.

Please advise if we can accept the invitation on the Secretary-General's behalf. The letter from Mr. Campbell is attached.

Thank you for your consideration.



Maher Nasser
Officer-in-Charge
7 February 2014

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