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Excellency,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter of 19 December 2008, inviting him to attend the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum, to be held from 4 to 6 June 2009.

It is with regret that I have to inform you that the Secretary-General will be unable to attend this Forum, owing to scheduling reasons. Nevertheless, let me take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event.

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

KIM Won-soo
Special Adviser to the Secretary-General
and Deputy Chef de Cabinet

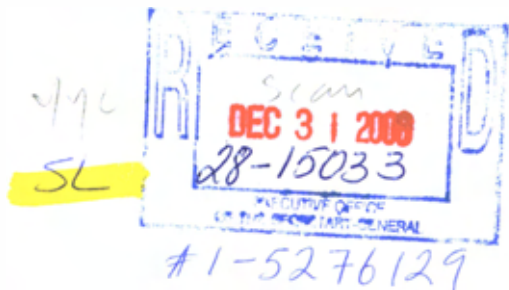
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June 4-6, 2009

December 19, 2008

Dear Mr. Ban,

It is my great pleasure to invite you to the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum, one of the world's preeminent annual economic conferences. The Forum is organized by the Russian Government and will take place this year on June 4-6, 2009.

More than 2,500 of the world's most influential business, government, academic and other leaders will be gathering for this event. The Forum will be opened by a keynote address from the President of the Russian Federation.

This year's Forum will address the measures put forward by Russia and the G20 to adapt the international financial architecture to new realities, including rethinking the way in which global capital is allocated, the future of the IFIs, reform of the banking sector, ratings agencies oversight, and the coordination of global efforts to contain and combat a global crisis.

The sessions on June 5 and 6 will also afford us an opportunity to examine the changing investment environment and its impact on Russian economic development in an international context.

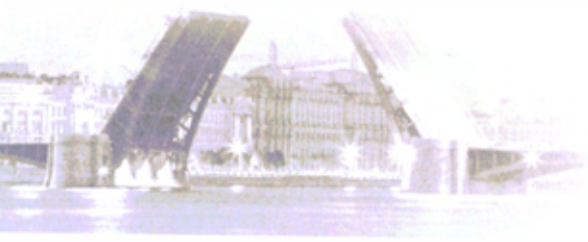
I would appreciate the confirmation of your attendance at the earliest time possible, and I look forward to welcoming you in person to St. Petersburg, one of the most beautiful cities in the world at one of the most exquisite times of the year — the celebration of White Nights.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elvira'.

Elvira Nabiullina

Minister of Economic Development of the Russian Federation
Chairwoman of the Forum Organizing Committee





INFORMATION LETTER

Dear Mr. Ban,

We present an information letter covering terms of participation and registration procedure for the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum (SPIEF).

I. The St. Petersburg International Economic Forum Registration Order

1. In case you decide to participate in the Forum, you have to **confirm** your decision at the **Personal Web Office** at the Forum web-site <http://www.forumspb.com>. If you are **not going to participate** in the Forum, we would like to request you about the notification by putting corresponding mark at the **Personal Web Office**.
2. **Personal Web Office** is a private section in the protected area of the Forum web-site, which contains participant's personal data, information on requested services and personal schedule of the participant. Access to the **Personal Web Office** is granted when the **User name** and **Personal password** are entered.

To get your Personal password
open here

II. Individual work with the Forum participant

For necessary information about the terms of participation, requesting services and accreditation during the Forum, please, contact **Participant Support Team** of the SPIEF Foundation:

Phone: + 7 (812) 680 00 01

Fax: + 7 (812) 680 00 02

E-mail: info@forumspb.com

III. The St. Petersburg International Economic Forum Programme

The programme of the St. Petersburg International Economic Forum is currently being generated. Celebrated worldwide known experts, representatives of international organizations, heads of states and governments, ministers and CEOs of the major world companies will take part in the discussion. You may find the information on the programme and the list of participants of the SPIEF-2008 in the **Forum History** section of the Forum web-site:

<http://www.forumspb.com/eng/history>

Should you have any questions, we will be more than happy to assist you.

Sincerely yours,

The St. Petersburg International
Economic Forum Foundation