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Dear Mr. Súrýánanda,

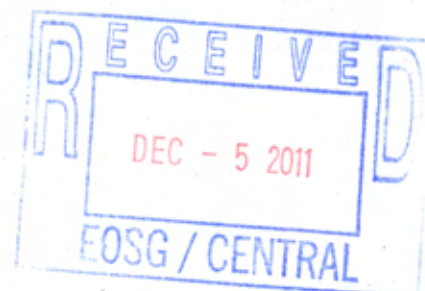
On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter dated 15 November 2011, inviting him as your Guest Speaker at the Grand Opening Ceremony of the Yoga World's Day 2012, to be held in Beja on 24 June 2012.

The Secretary-General appreciates your kind invitation. Unfortunately, I regret to inform you that he will be unable to attend the event, owing to prior commitments and pressing demands already on his schedule on the said date. Nevertheless, allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event. I would be grateful if you could convey this response to Ms. Susana Freitas, Project Director of Yoga Portuguese Confederation, who co-signed the invitation.

Yours sincerely,

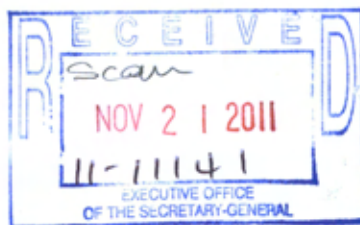
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Yoga World's Day – 2012, June, 23 and 24 – Beja - Portugal

Invitation

Lisboa, 2011, November, 15th

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Dear Mr. Ban Ki-moon,

The Yoga Portuguese Confederation and Yoga Sámkhya Institute, non-profit institutions, are honored to invite You as our Guest Speaker for the Grand Opening Ceremony of the Yoga World's Day (DAYMUNDY) 2012 - June 24 - Sunday 10:30 - in Beja - Portugal.

You are also invited to give a Conference on the previous Day - the Sámkhya and Dárshana Day – on June 23rd - Saturday – regarding the topic "The Importance of Yoga Meditation in personal development in the XXI Century Society", or a Free Topic related with Yoga and/or the Yoga World's Day. This Day will include the participation of the Grand Yoga World Masters and of International and National Yoga Schools, as well as Astrophysics and Astronomers (with professional telescopes) that will address the theme of the Great Cosmos and our integration into the same as Human beings.

As the success of 2011, which was attended by more than 50 notable International and National Guests and had the participation of 1100 teachers and practitioners of Yoga, in 2012 we will also gather the most respected Yoga Schools of India and of the Planet, the representatives of the major World Religions, and also representatives of the main National Political Parties among many other prominent people.

This project due to its noble objectives gathers simultaneously the support of several National and International Personalities, and we would like to also count on your support and inspiring presence to the Great Celebration of the Yoga World's Day 2012, to make it another great success, contributing to a New Era of Humanity's Consciousness and Universal Peace.



We emphasize the presence in previous years of various International Guests such as: H.H. Svámin Avadeshánanda Giri, Svámin Visveshvaránanda Giri, Svámin Paramátmánanda Sarasvatí, Svámin Samvidánanda - representing the Hindu Dharma Acharya Sabha – India, Svámin Yogasvárúpánanda Sarasvatí - Vice President of the Shívánanda Áshrama - rshikesh, Svámin Mukundánanda, Svámin Yadunandana - representative of ISKCON - Hare Krishna Movement, Svámin Rámachandránanda - USA, Mr. Subodh Tiwari - Administrator of the Keivalyadhama Yoga Institute - India, Dr. Nagendra - President of Vivekananda Yoga University, Bengaluru - India and NASA scientist, Dr. Karthikeyan - Ex-Director of the Central Bureau of Investigation of India, Dr. Bawa Jain - Secretary General of the World Council of Religious Leaders, Reverend Master of Yoga of Europe - Madame Eva Ruchpaul - France, Master Andre Riehl - President of French Federation of Traditional Yoga, representative of Shrí Shrí Ravi Shankar - Art of Living Foundation, Antoinette Layon - Ambassador of Francophone Federation of Canada, Marcus Freed - representative of the Association of Jewish Yoga Teachers - USA, representatives of Master BKS Iyengar, Brahma Kumaris; and the National Distinguished Guests: Dr. Maria Barroso, Ambassador of India, Architect Siza Vieira, representatives of the Major Political Parties, Schools of Yoga of Portugal, QUERCUS, ACAP and Caritas Organizations, among others.

Last year for the first time in the World the Major World's Religions joined hands on stage, in the name of Peace, and blessed the Planet together, in a Day for the importance of what they all have in common, for Inter Religious Ecumenism and Inter Ethnic Fraternity.

We would like to confirm Your presence.

For the sake of Humanity and the Planet,
with deep respect and consideration,

The Project Director
Director of Yoga Portuguese
Confederation
Disciple of H.H. Jagat Guru Amrta
Súryananda Mahá Rája

Susana Freitas

The President of Yoga Portuguese Confederation,
Founder of Yoga Lusa Federation,
Founder and Honor President Yoga Lusa Association,
Founder of Yoga Iberian Confederation,
Honorable Member of the Hindu Dharma Acharya Sabha
- India

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