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2010 High-Level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF)

Banibai Sundavadra to: Marianne Moran

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Cc: Vijay Nambiar, kimw, Yeocheol Yoon, John Holmes, Josiane Ambiehl, Alexandra Barahona Posada, Sebastien Lawson

Dear Ms. Moran,

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Yoon.

With reference to the above-mentioned note to the Secretary-General (our ref # 10-07387) dated 2 August 2010, from Mr. Holmes, regarding the Secretary-General's participation in the 2010 High-Level Conference on the Central Emergency Response Fund (CERF) on Wednesday, 8 December 2010.

I would like to inform you from a scheduling point of view that on the proposed date the Secretary-General will be in Cancun for the Climate Change Conference.

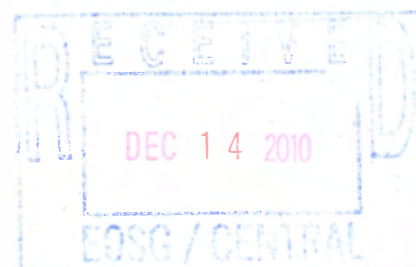
In light of this the scheduling office would appreciate your kind consideration in adjusting the date of the event towards either late November or early December.

The scheduling office looks forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

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3. Since December 2009, we have urged contributors to turn their pledges into useable contributions and raised additional funds in order to reach the US\$450 million target set by the General Assembly. We have already turned 75 percent of pledges into contributions. I am also pleased to note that no fewer than nine new Member States and Observer Missions have joined the CERF contributor's list in 2010.
4. This year, the CERF High-Level Conference has been tentatively proposed for 7 – 8 December 2010. I would be grateful if you would kindly consider participating on Wednesday 8 December from 1000 – 1100 h s. In this session, a film on relief operations funded by CERF will be shown, followed by planned speeches from you and other guests of honour.
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John Holmes
02 August 2010

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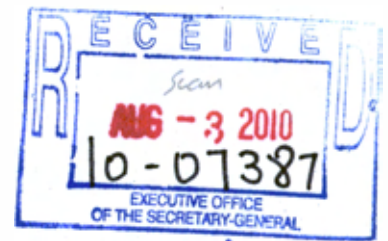
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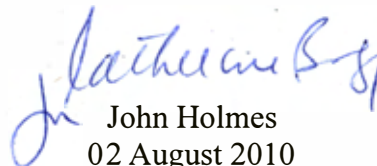
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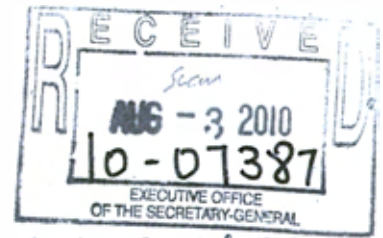
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From Scholarship point of view, as date
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in Holmes
August 2010

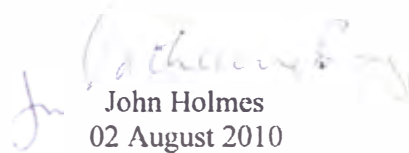
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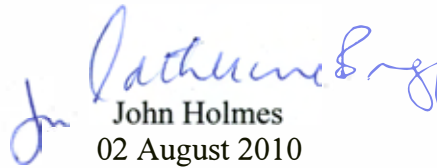
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