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New York, October 27, 2016

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Thank you for Greek PR's*

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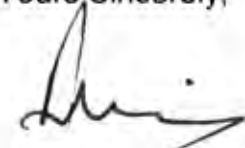
*of 11/2016 and  
Thank you very much*

I would like to thank you for accepting the dinner invitation at the Greek Residence, in your honour on 11 November 2016. I am happy to co-host the dinner with Ms. Raghida Dergham of Beirut Institute.

I look forward to welcoming you at the Greek Residence, 67 East, 79 Street on 15 January at 20:00 hours.

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

Yours Sincerely,



Dr. Catherine Boura  
Ambassador  
Permanent Representative

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H.E. Jan Eliasson  
Deputy Secretary-General  
United Nations, S-3847  
New York

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Re: Farewell reception for H.E. Mr. Jan Eliasson  
Raghida Dergham to: Aida Njanja Fassu  
Cc: Jane Anttila, Shari Wein, jeanine.kounjian

17/10/2016 05:56 PM

I just had a discussion with Ambassador Boura who welcomed either option: dinner or reception.

It seems a reception from 6:30 onward works best with the idea that some people would stay later than 8:30 and the smaller gathering could go on longer as the evening progresses into discussions and dance. It should be a relaxed fun evening this way.

The residence could accommodate over 80 persons. The invitees will be from both the diplomatic community and New Yorker. In particular, all those who attended the series of Beirut Institute dinners with the DSG.

Ambassador Boura would like to have the DSG's list of people he likes to invite.

I'll ask her to have her assistant join this group in charge of organizing.

Jeanine from Beirut Institute will help out with the New Yorkers' invitations

Thank you all

Raghida Dergham

Sent from my iPhone

On Oct 17, 2016, at 3:19 PM, Aida Njanja Fassu <njanja-fassu@un.org> wrote:

Dear Ms. Dergham,

As discussed, I would like to confirm that Mr. Eliasson would be available for a farewell reception or dinner on Friday, 11 November.

Thank you and best regards.

Aida

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*Aida*  
*Raghida will*  
*come back*  
*either dinner*  
*or reception*  
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**Farewell reception for the DSG hosted by H.E. Dr. Catherine Boura  
(Permanent Representative, GREECE) and Ms. Raghida Dergham  
(BEIRUT INSTITUTE)**

**Calendar Entry**

**Fri 11/11/2016 6:30 PM - 7:30  
PM**

Location: H.E. Dr. Catherine Boura's residence

**Description**

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[raghida.dergham@beirutinstitute.org](mailto:raghida.dergham@beirutinstitute.org)

DSG agreed with Ms. Dergham on 16 October



## **China criticizes U.N. human rights chief for encouraging separatists**

12 October 2016

Beijing, Oct 12 (EFE).- China on Wednesday criticized the U.N. High Commissioner for Human Rights for encouraging separatists after he attended a ceremony during which a human rights award was presented to a Chinese ethnic Uighur.

Zeid Ra'ad al Hussein, the U.N. human rights chief, was present Tuesday when Chinese activist Ilham Tohti received the 2016 Martin Ennals Award for Human Rights Defenders in what amounted to an act of open support for separatists, Chinese Foreign Ministry spokesman Geng Shuang said.

This behavior goes against the principles and objectives of the U.N. Charter and represents interference in China's internal affairs, Geng said in a press conference.

There are always people who ignore the crimes committed against the Chinese people by separatists, extremists and even terrorists, Geng said.

Tohti, a Muslim academic, has dedicated his career to defending his community and criticizing, although moderately, the Chinese government's policies in his native Xinjiang province, home of the ethnic Uighur minority.

Amid rising violence in the region, Tohti tried to bridge the gaps between different ethnic groups; however, his criticism was not well received by the government, which accused him of separatism.

In 2014, he was arrested and sentenced to life in prison for separatism after a two-day, closed-door trial, which was severely criticized by foreign governments and human rights activists.

Tohti was convicted of promoting separatism, his crimes are clear and the evidence is solid, Geng said.

Islamic terrorist groups, according to Beijing, are active in the western province of Xinjiang.

Uighurs living in exile, for their part, contend the violence is a byproduct of Beijing's repressive policies in the province. EFE