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His Excellency Mr Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of
the United Nations
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The Hague, 17 September 2015

Your Excellency,

- ✓ Thank you for your letter of 31 July concerning the upcoming presidential and legislative elections in the Central African Republic (CAR). The Netherlands recognises the challenges involved in holding these elections and greatly values the UN's work to address these challenges.
- ✓ The Netherlands believes that it is essential to support CAR on the road to peace and reconciliation, and that the elections are a major step in this direction. We are one of the founders of and financial contributors to the European Union's Békou Trust Fund for CAR, which focuses on early recovery and reconstruction.
- ✓ We also support the important work of the UN and its agencies in CAR through the UNDP basket fund.

The EU is currently the biggest financial contributor to the CAR electoral process. In addition, the Netherlands has always been committed to CAR, as shown by the humanitarian aid we give the country and our programmes to promote freedom of expression.

We will continue to follow the situation in CAR closely. Like you, the Netherlands hopes that the elections will be organised under the best possible conditions.

Yours sincerely,

Mark Rutte
Prime Minister of the Netherlands

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Dear San Lang Jernel

It is my pleasure to forward to you the original letter of H.E. Mr. Mark Rutte, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

Yours sincerely,


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