



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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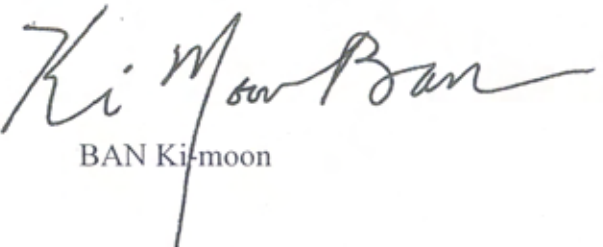
Excellency,

I would like to thank you for your letter dated 17 February 2012, inviting me to the International Conference of the Friends of the Syrian people, to be held in Tunis on 24 February 2012.

I regret to inform you that I will be unable to take part in the Conference, owing to prior commitments and pressing demands on my schedule on the said date. However, in view of its importance, I am pleased to inform you that I have designated Mr. B. Lynn Pascoe, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs, to represent me at this meeting and deliver a message to participants on my behalf. The office of Mr. Pascoe will be in touch with your Office to discuss the details of his participation in this event.

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my best wishes for a successful event.

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

  
BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency  
Mr. Rafik Ben Abdessalem  
Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Republic  
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