



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Election Congrats

10 January 2007

Dear Messrs. González and Chérif,

I write on taking office as Secretary-General to thank you for your kind words and good wishes. I am deeply heartened to know that I have your support as I undertake the vast responsibilities before me.

As you know, I assume my duties at a time of daunting challenges in world affairs -- from the range of crises troubling our world to the need to defend human rights and move forward in reaching the Millennium Development Goals. Yet I also know that the demands placed on the United Nations demonstrate that our Organization is very much alive, that it is on the front line in addressing crises and giving hope to people around the world, and that it is a force to be reckoned with, among Governments and people everywhere.

I am determined to do all in my power to ensure that our United Nations can live up to those high expectations, and carry out effectively the ever more global role which Member States have entrusted to it. By strengthening the three pillars of the United Nations -- security, development and human rights, all underpinned by the rule of law -- we can build a more peaceful, more prosperous and more just world for succeeding generations. In that effort, I will seek to act as a harmonizer and bridge-builder, and do all I can to restore trust in the Organization.

I am reassured to know that in that endeavour, I will have your support.

Yours sincerely,

Ki Moon Ban

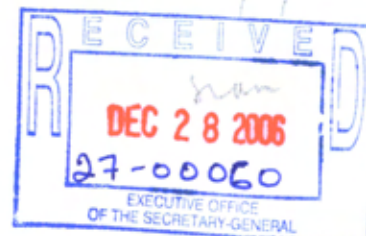
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Dear Mr. Ban,

We would like to convey to you our most sincere congratulations on the occasion of your appointment as Secretary-General of the United Nations.

We are confident that the United Nations system, under your able leadership, will continue to promote peace and social progress for all humankind and wish to assure you of the full continuing cooperation of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) in the attainment of these objectives.

Yours sincerely,

Roberto Kobeh González
President of the Council

Taïeb Chérif
Secretary General

cc: Representative of the Republic of Korea
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