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Nevertheless, let me take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful gathering. A similar letter has been sent to Mr. Walter Veltroni.

Yours sincerely,

Vijay Nambiar
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Mr. Mikhail Gorbachev
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Under the high patronage of the President of the Italian Republic

H.E. Ban Ki-moon
UN Secretary General
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His Excellency,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the 8th **World Summit of the Nobel Peace Laureates**, which traditionally will be convened in Rome at the Capitol Hill from **13th until 15th December 2007**.

In a world where peace is continuously jeopardized from violence, poverty, lack of resources, today, more than ever, we have to ensure a future of a long-lasting peace through planet earth. And we shall do it also by paying more attention to the young generation, which tomorrow will represent the next generation.

'**The Next Generation**' itself is proposed to be the title of the 8th edition of the Summit of Rome. What kind of heritage will we leave to a more and more inter-independent world, will the single human being still be the protagonist of the world changing, or will he be isolated and defeated by decisions taken from just one side of the planet? We are all asked to reply to these questions in order to face the new challenges of the world.

Over the years, we have become increasingly convinced that peace requires an integrated approach. In that regard, the Nobel Peace Laureates will also have the opportunity to present to the world society at the 8th Summit the Final version of the '**Charter for a World without Violence**', which has been the result of the long joint work and discussions among Nobel Peace Laureates and Organizations and the first draft of which was approved at the 7th Summit in Rome. The Charter has been endorsed by many Nobel Peace Laureates and Organizations, and supported by scientists, politicians and noted personalities from all over the world.

We look forward to meeting you this year at the 8th World Summit of the Nobel Peace Laureates in Rome.

With warmest regards,

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