



Response to Invitation to the Secretary-General: 2 April 2015 World Autism Awareness Day

Amy Kyaw to: Alison Corbet, Darrin Farrant

11/03/2015 05:26 PM

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Dear DPI colleagues,

I am writing on behalf of Scheduling Unit of the Executive Office of the Secretary-General, in response to the note from Ms. Cristina Gallach to Ms. Malcorra, inviting the Secretary-General to deliver opening remarks at the annual observance of World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD), to be held at the UN Headquarters on 2 April 2015.

I am pleased to inform you that the Secretary-General has agreed to deliver opening remarks at the event. In this regard, Ms. Alexandra Barahona Posada, Political Affairs Officer in the Scheduling Office of the Secretary-General, will continue to liaise with your office to discuss the relevant arrangements for the Secretary-General's participation.

Also in relations to this invitation, we would like to convey to you that the Secretary-General has agreed to sending a written message for the Day. Ms. Ruxandra Ferascu from the Speechwriters Unit of the Executive Office, will be in touch with your office regarding this matter.



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Many thanks.

Kind regards,

Amy Maung Maung Kyaw

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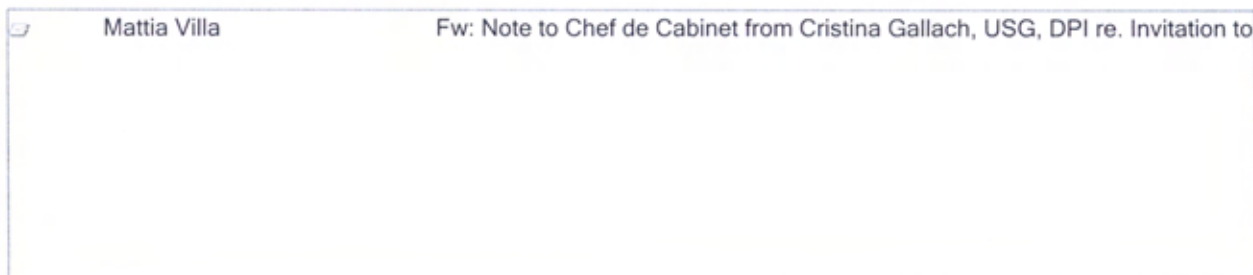
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Mattia Villa to: Amy Kyaw
Cc: Jackilyn Punsal

10/03/2015 05:18 PM



Dear Amy,

Could you kindly include the below in the IL?

Requester: Cristina Gallach, DPI

Description: (1) Invites the SG to deliver opening remarks for the World Autism Awareness Day from 10:00am to 1:00pm on 2 April 2015 at UN HQ, and (2) requests a video message for the same occasion

Recommendation: The speechwriters and DU recommend that the SG (1) accepts the invite to deliver remarks, and (2) regrets the video message. As a UN Observance Day, a message will already be sent out.



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Many thanks,
Mattia

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Subject: Fw: Note to Chef de Cabinet from Cristina Gallach, USG, DPI re. Invitation to the Secretary-General and request for video message - World Autism Awareness Day

- Accepts remarks
- regrets video msg (only written msg)

Dear Mattia,

We would recommend the first option, as the focus on employment is important and different from last year's message.

Thank you,
Mariangela

Mariangela Parra-Lancourt

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Dear Paul and Deirdre,

With reference to the invite above mentioned, the speechwriters recommended that:

- 1) the SG delivers opening remarks on 2 April - or the DSG on his behalf if he's not available;
- 2) the SG doesn't record a video, as DPI could use footage from previous years.

Could DU kindly confirm or review these recommendations?
Please find the original invite attached.

(See attached file: 15-01649.PDF)

Many thanks
Mattia

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Thanks both

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On Mar 10, 2015, at 3:45 PM, "Alexandra Barahona Posada" <barahonaposada@un.org> wrote:

Hi Darrin, yes we are looking into it, shall revert once a decision is made.

Cheers, A

Darrin Farrant---10/03/2015 01:39:56 PM---Hi Alex Just wondering if your office has had a chance to look at our request attached below? Thanks

From: Darrin Farrant/NY/UNO
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Date: 10/03/2015 01:39 PM
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Hi Alex

Just wondering if your office has had a chance to look at our request attached below?

Thanks

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Date: 26/02/2015 11:12 AM
Subject: Note to Chef de Cabinet from Cristina Gallach, USG, DPI re. Invitation to the Secretary-General and request for video message - World Autism Awareness Day

Dear Ms. Malcorra,

Please find attached a Note on the above subject from Ms. Cristina Gallach, Under-Secretary-General for Communications and Public Information.

(See attached file: Note to CdC re. World Autism Awareness Day - Invitation to SG for video message.pdf)

Best regards,

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NOTE TO MS. MALCORRA

**2 April 2015 World Autism Awareness Day: Invitation to the Secretary-General
and request for video message**

The Department of Public Information (DPI), together with the Department for Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and other internal and external partners, is organizing the annual observance of World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD), which will take place on Thursday, 2 April 2015.

We would be honoured if the Secretary-General would agree to make opening remarks at the event, which will take place on that date in Conference Room 4 from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The theme of the observance – “Employment: The Autism Advantage” – is grounded in Article 27 of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, which addresses work and employment. Article 27 specifically recognizes “the right of persons with disabilities to work, on an equal basis with others,” and to a “work environment that is open, inclusive and accessible to persons with disabilities.” The theme is also in line with Principle 6 of the Global Compact on the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

The panel discussion will focus on measures required to support growth in employment opportunities for people on the autism spectrum. It is also intended to create interest in the formation of a coalition of companies ready to make concrete pledges to employ persons with autism. In 2013, for example, the German multinational software corporation SAP SE, which provided the software for the Organization’s Umoja solution, announced that by 2020, 1% of its workforce would be made up of adults diagnosed with autism. As such, the event will provide an opportunity to explore whether other large multinational companies would be prepared to join SAP in making pledges of their own.

Panel speakers will include CEOs and employees of companies that employ people with autism, as well as representatives from academia, civil society, Member States and the United Nations system.

We would also like to request a short video message for use in advance of and for the Day. The Department stands ready to provide a draft message that would focus on employment opportunities for persons with autism.

Thank you.



Cristina Gallach
25 February 2015

cc: Mr. Amdur
Mr. Chang
Mr. Dujarric

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