



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

6 May 2016

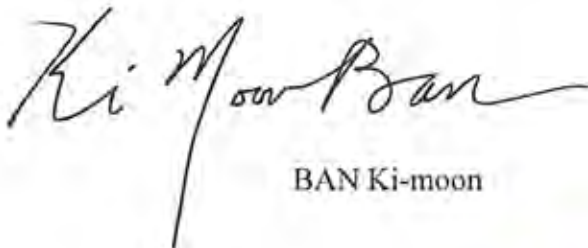
Excellency,

I wish to thank you for your letter dated 6 March 2016, inviting me to attend the second Regional Security Summit, which will be held in Abuja on 14 May 2016.

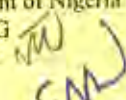
I appreciate your kind invitation. Unfortunately, I regret to inform that I will be unable to attend the Summit, owing to prior commitments and pressing demands already on my schedule on the said date. However, in view of its importance, I have designated Mr. Mohamed Ibn Chambas, my Special Representative for West Africa and Special Envoy for the Sahel, to represent me and deliver a message to participants on my behalf. The office of Mr. Chambas will liaise with the relevant offices to discuss the details of his participation.

I wish to take this opportunity to convey my best wishes for a successful session in Abuja.

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


BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Muhammadu Buhari
President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria
Abuja

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