



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

20 April 2012


Excellency,

I would like to express my gratitude for the warm welcome extended to me and my delegation during my recent visit to Indonesia. I also appreciate your hospitality at the luncheon that you hosted for me and my delegation at the Indonesian Peace and Security Centre. I was delighted to meet a new generation of peacekeepers so committed to the work of the United Nations in such an impressive centre. Let me thank you as well for the thoughtful gift that will serve as a beautiful memento of my visit to Jakarta.

I was also honoured to meet with you and exchange views on the cooperation between your Government and the United Nations on a wide range of regional and global issues. In this regard, I would like to reiterate my sincere gratitude for your recent offers of troops and vital assets to support United Nations peacekeeping missions and the establishment of a UN House.

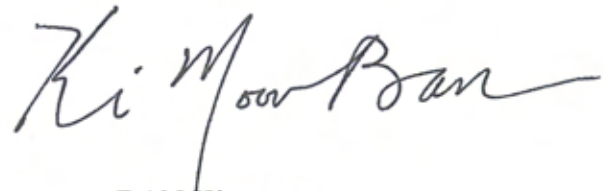
I thank you for your strong commitment to the promotion of international peace and security as clearly demonstrated by your hosting of the Jakarta International Defense Dialogue. Indonesia is playing a constructive role as a progressive voice that promotes human rights within the Islamic world and is setting a positive model of democratic transition for countries in the region. In this regard, the implementation of the UN-ASEAN Comprehensive Partnership in full and in concrete terms, especially in closing the development gap between ASEAN members as well as in peace and security areas will be particularly important. I look forward to taking stock of progress made in the implementation of the Comprehensive Partnership at the ASEAN-UN Summit with you and other fellow ASEAN Leaders as we move forward with this agenda.

His Excellency
Mr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono
President of the Republic of Indonesia
Jakarta



It is my hope that our fruitful exchange will contribute to the growing dynamism of the partnership between the United Nations and Indonesia. The United Nations stands ready to strengthen this cooperation for the benefit of the people of Indonesia and for advancing stability, security and sustainable development in the region.

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



BAN Ki-moon



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Excellency,

I should like to express my deep appreciation for the warm reception and hospitality extended to me and my delegation during my recent visit to Indonesia. I would also like to thank you for the wonderful reception that you hosted for my wife and I in our honour. Let me also thank you for the thoughtful gift that will serve as a beautiful memento of my visit to Jakarta.

Throughout my visit, I reaffirmed the conviction that Indonesia continues to be a close partner and a strong supporter of the United Nations. The highlight of my visit was my participation in the Jakarta International Defence Dialogue forum. Attended by important regional and national partners, the forum provided an invaluable opportunity to bring together relevant perspectives from peacekeeping, humanitarian responses and political engagement. It was also an honour for me to pay a visit to the Indonesian Peace and Security Centre. Its comprehensive and modern facilities were impressive and I was delighted to meet the new generation of peacekeepers so committed to the work of the United Nations. In this regard, I would like to express my gratitude for the increasing contributions of Indonesia to United Nations peacekeeping, in particular recent offers by President Yudhoyono of troops and assets.

I also wish to congratulate you on the growing role of Indonesia in the region and its prominence as an active and valuable member of the international community. I commend your continuing efforts in facilitating a peaceful resolution of the ongoing dispute between Cambodia and Thailand, including through the deployment of an Indonesian Observer Team to the disputed area. The United Nations supports these efforts and stands ready to provide assistance, if requested. I also welcome the collaborative relations between Indonesia and Timor-Leste and appreciate the continued support of Indonesia for the work of the United Nations Integrated Mission in Timor-Leste (UNMIT).

His Excellency
Mr. R.M. Marty M. Natalegawa
Minister for Foreign Affairs
of the Republic of Indonesia
Jakarta

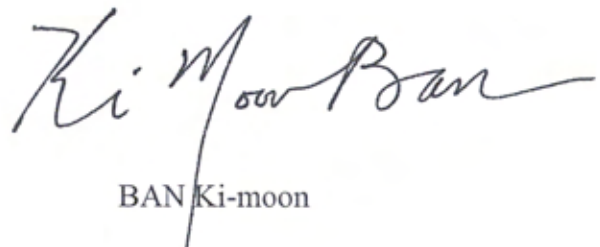
As UNMIT is scheduled to complete its work by the end of this year, we look forward to deepening discussions with your Government on how best to support the country in the post-UNMIT phase, including possibly through the framework of ASEAN-UN cooperation.

Indonesia also continues to play an important role with regard to the situation in Myanmar. Your Government's constructive approach and strong support for my good offices are highly appreciated. As the situation there continues to evolve rapidly, the discussions that I had with you and other officials were invaluable, particularly given that I am scheduled to visit the country shortly.

As for the ASEAN-UN Comprehensive Partnership, the United Nations wishes to implement it in full and in concrete terms. In this regard, you will recall that the ASEAN-UN Workshop in Jakarta in February this year has already identified various specific steps that could be taken in peace and security areas, including possible UN assistance to the ASEAN Institute for Peace and Reconciliation and possible UN collaboration with the ASEAN Regional Forum. I look forward to taking stock of progress made in the implementation of the Comprehensive Partnership at the ASEAN-UN Ministerial Meeting with you and other fellow ASEAN Foreign Ministers in September this year in New York.

It is my hope that our fruitful exchange will contribute to the growing dynamism of the partnership between the United Nations and Indonesia. The United Nations stands ready to strengthen this cooperation for the benefit of the people of Indonesia and for advancing stability, security and sustainable development in the region.

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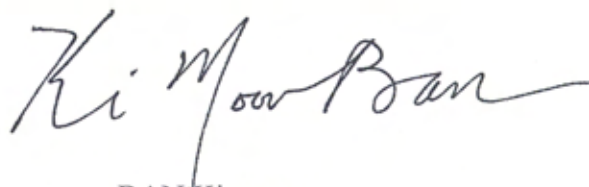
Excellency,

I would like to thank you for welcoming me and my delegation during my visit to Indonesia on 20 and 21 March 2012.

One of the highlights of the visit was my participation in the Jakarta International Defence Dialogue, which you and your Government successfully hosted. It was an invaluable opportunity to engage with a wide range of regional and national partners, and to bring together relevant perspectives from peacekeeping operations, humanitarian responses and political engagement. The tour at the Indonesian Peace and Security Centre also made a lasting impression with its comprehensive and modern facilities. I was delighted to meet the new generation of Indonesian peacekeepers so committed to the work of the United Nations.

I am particularly pleased by the commitment of your Government to increasing contributions to the United Nations peacekeeping operations around the world. Of particular note in this regard were the recent offers by President Yudhoyono of troops and vital assets. I encourage you to continue liaising closely with the United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations, in order to work out the details of these offers.

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


BAN/Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Purnomo Yusgiantoro
Minister of Defence of the
Republic of Indonesia
Jakarta



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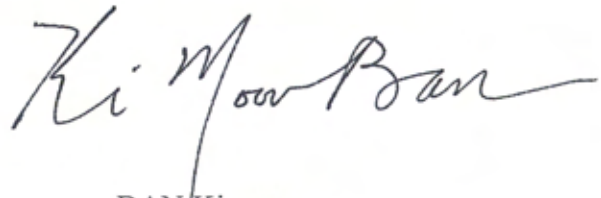
Excellency,

I would like to thank you for welcoming me and my delegation during my visit to Jakarta on 20 and 21 March 2012.

May I also take this opportunity to convey my appreciation to your staff at the Permanent Mission of Indonesia to the United Nations for the detailed preparation for my visit. I am grateful for the excellent programme which allowed me to hold fruitful exchanges with President Yudhoyono, Foreign Minister Natalegawa and other senior officials. One of the highlights was my participation in the Jakarta International Defence Dialogue, which provided me with an invaluable opportunity to engage with a wide range of regional and national partners on the issues of global peace and security.

I am particularly pleased by the commitment of your Government to increasing contributions to United Nations peacekeeping operations around the world. Of particular note in this regard were the recent offers by President Yudhoyono of troops and vital assets. The United Nations looks forward to enhancing cooperation with your Government and implementing the ASEAN-UN Comprehensive Partnership.

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


BAN/Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Desra Percaya
Permanent Representative of the
Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations
New York



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Dear Mr. Rusdi,

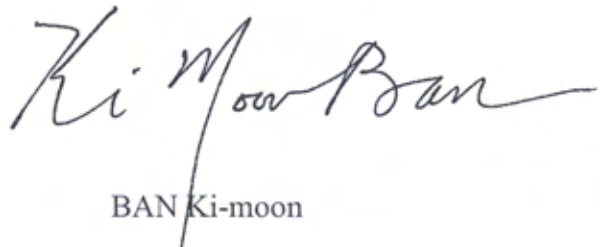
I wish to express my deep appreciation to you and your team for the dedicated work you put into making my recent visit to Indonesia a success.

I know that these trips require a great deal of preparation, energy and exceptional attention to detail. Your efforts contributed to ensuring that the programme ran smoothly and that all logistical and protocol arrangements were in place.

Please convey my gratitude, and that of my delegation, to your team who gave so generously of their time.

I wish you and your colleagues continued success in your work.

Yours sincerely,


BAN Ki-moon

Mr. Ahmad Rusdi
Head of State Protocol
Ministry of Foreign Affairs
of Indonesia
Jakarta



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Dear Mr. Benlamlah,

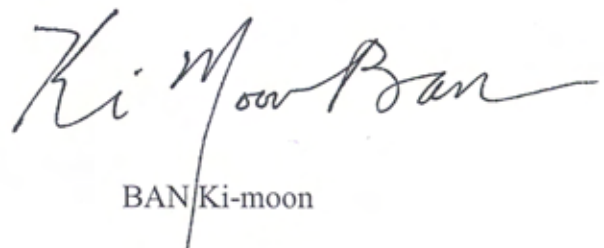
It is my pleasure to thank you and the United Nations team for your professionalism and dedicated efforts during my recent visit to Indonesia. I wish to congratulate you personally for a job well done throughout my visit in Jakarta.

The visit was successful and highly productive due in no small part to your and your colleagues' close working relationship with the Indonesian authorities, which also helped to ensure that the programme ran smoothly and that all the logistical arrangements were in place. I would be grateful if you could convey my profound appreciation to all United Nations colleagues on the ground that made arrangements for my visit. My special thanks also go to Ms. Poorti Sapatnekar, Ms. Yvonne Wilmer and Mr. Carlos Haddad who I know were instrumental in ensuring that an excellent programme was put in place for my visit.

It was a pleasure for me to meet again a few months after the Association of South East Asian Nations meeting in Bali with the United Nations Country Team and UN staff serving in Indonesia. My wife and I appreciated the opportunity to interact with them and to observe their dedication to achieving the goals of the Organization in Indonesia. The lunch that you organized with the UN Country Team was very productive.

Please accept my best wishes for the important work carried out by the United Nations in Indonesia.

Yours sincerely,


BAN/Ki-moon

Mr. El-Mostafa Benlamlah
Resident Coordinator for Indonesia
Jakarta

THANK YOU LETTERS FOR THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S VISIT TO

INDONESIA

19-21 March 2012

1. **H.E. Mr. Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono**, President of the Republic of Indonesia
2. **H.E. Mr. R.M. Marty M. Natalegawa**, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Indonesia
3. **H.E. Mr. Purnomo Yusgiantoro**, Minister for Defence of the Republic of Indonesia
4. **H.E. Mr. Desra Percaya**, Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations
5. **Mr. Ahmad Rusdi**, Head of State Protocol, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Indonesia
6. **Mr. El-Mostafa Benlamlih**, Resident Coordinator

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