



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

3 November 2009

Dear Mr. Benson,

I wish to acknowledge your letter dated 19 October 2009 informing me of your decision not to extend your appointment as the Director of the Ethics Office and to leave the Organization when your present contract expires on 30 April 2010.

I would like to take this opportunity to recognize the valuable services that you have rendered to the United Nations, and your important role as the first Director of the Ethics Office. Under your stewardship, a number of significant milestones have been achieved. Your contributions have put the Ethics office on a firm footing, and you have played a key role in laying the foundation for a successful Financial Disclosure Programme. Your efforts have helped in nurturing and furthering the concept of accountability in the Organization.

Yours sincerely,

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SG's letter to Mr. Benson

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