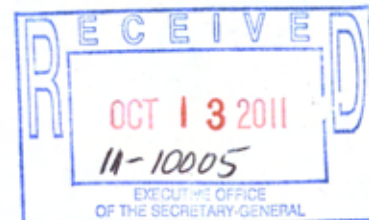


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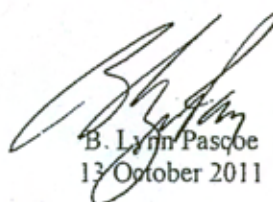
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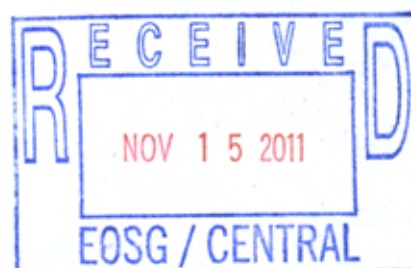
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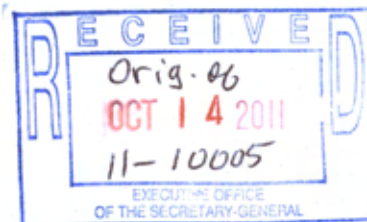


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Excellency,

I wish to thank you for your letter, dated 30 September 2011, inviting me to attend and address the opening ceremony of the Eighteenth Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government of the African Union on 29 and 30 January 2012, to be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

I am pleased to confirm that I will attend the Summit, which will offer an excellent opportunity to discuss with you and the leaders of Africa our common efforts to tackle peace and security, humanitarian and development challenges in the African continent.

The names of the members of the United Nations delegation to the Summit and their scheduled dates of arrival in Addis Ababa will be communicated to the African Union Commission and the authorities of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia through our office in Addis Ababa at a later time.

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

BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Jean Ping
Chairperson of the African Union Commission
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