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Dear Ms. Carlson,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter of 4 January 2007, inviting him to address the conference, "Responding to Children and Youth in Crisis: Educators in Partnership with the U.N.", to be hosted by the Committee on Teaching about the United Nations (CTAUN) on 2 February 2007 at United Nations Headquarters.

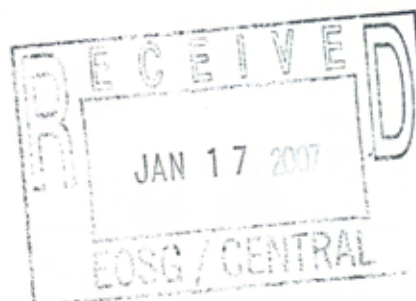
The Secretary-General is grateful for your kind invitation and for your continued cooperation with the United Nations. I regret to inform you, however, that he will be unable to accept due to prior commitments.

I would like to convey to you his best wishes for a successful conference.

Yours sincerely,


Vijay Nambiar
Chef de Cabinet

Ms. Anne-Marie Carlson
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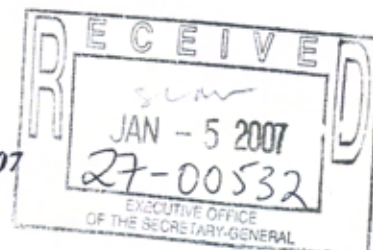


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The Committee on Teaching About the United Nations (CTAUN) would like to invite you to welcome conference registrants and share your thoughts on the conference topic at our conference for educators on Friday, 2 February 2007. We expect educators from throughout the U.S. and a number of other countries to attend.

"Responding to Children and Youth in Crisis: Educators in Partnership With the U.N." is the conference title. The areas of literacy, security, health/nutrition and rights of the child will be explored during this full day conference. We expect our conference attendees to obtain an updated view of the issues, to learn more about the importance of the U.N. in relation to them and return to their schools and communities with new ideas.

The conference will open at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. After my opening words, I would have the privilege of introducing you. I know that this audience would be very honored by your presence and most eager to hear your message and share this later with their students, colleagues and members of their communities.

Queen Rania of Jordan is now likely to attend and her address would be next on the program. Other parts of the day are the Health/Nutrition, Literacy and Security panels, our awards, the Delegates Dining Room lunch, Information Fair and Rights of the Child and keynote speakers.

CTAUN has held large conferences for educators at the U.N. for the past nine years. Each year's conference has a different focus. For more information, please look at our website - www.teachun.org. We are both pleased and proud of the number of educators attending our conferences, the important speakers addressing them and the increased interest in and growth of our committee.

We very much look forward to an affirmative response! Please contact me with any questions, suggestions, etc. at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Anne-Marie Carlson

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Subject Re: I have a question about the CTAUN invitation to the SG
please.

*Kevin - SG was
never invited before.
regret?*

Kaori,

The following have been keynote speakers for CTAUN:

06: Nane Annan and Jan Eliasson

05: Shashi Tharoor

04: Bertini

03: Nane Annan and Thoraya Obaid

02: Nitin Desai and Gillian Sorensen

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We are trying to get the files for the first three years and as soon as we find out whether the SG spoke at any of those, we'll let you know.

Please note that they are expecting approximately 450-500 participants and that Queen Rania of Jordan has been invited.

Vivian

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Subject I have a question about the CTAUN invitation to the SG
please.

Is this recommended by DPI that the SG should attend?



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