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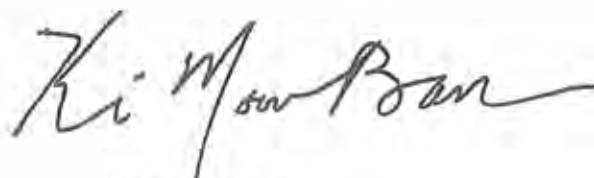
Excellency,

I wish to convey to you my congratulations and best wishes upon your recent appointment as Prime Minister of Denmark.

As you assume these important responsibilities for the second time, I am confident that under your leadership, the Government of Denmark will continue to demonstrate its strong commitment to the work and principles of the United Nations. The support of Denmark to the Organization, including through your hosting of the United Nations family in Copenhagen, is deeply appreciated and a great asset to our collective efforts.

As the United Nations celebrates its seventieth anniversary this year, I look forward to continuing our constructive cooperation, including in addressing climate change, reaching consensus on the post-2015 development agenda, as well as searching for solutions to the peace and security threats and challenges that confront our increasingly interdependent world.

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


BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Lars Løkke Rasmussen
Prime Minister of Denmark
Copenhagen



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

2 July 2015

Excellency,

At the end of your distinguished tenure as Prime Minister of Denmark, I wish to express my gratitude for the excellent cooperation and unwavering support you have given to the fulfilment of the objectives and principles of the United Nations.

I particularly wish to express my appreciation for the active role of Denmark in promoting global efforts to address climate change, shaping the post-2015 development agenda and hosting the United Nations family in Copenhagen, which are just a few examples of your country's valuable support to the Organization. Our joint visit to Greenland was not only particularly memorable but also reinforced my conviction that climate change needs to be tackled with utmost urgency.

It has been a privilege to work with you. I wish you every success in your future endeavours and hope that our paths will cross again.

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

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ki Moon Ban", is written over a light blue rectangular background.

BAN Ki-moon

Her Excellency
Ms. Helle Thorning-Schmidt
Former Prime Minister of Denmark
Copenhagen