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Dear Mr. Mellgren,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter of 11 October 2009, inviting him to deliver a keynote address at the 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Public Interest Environmental Law Conference (PIELC), to be held at the University of Oregon in Eugene from 25 to 28 February 2010.

In view of the commitments on the schedule of the Secretary-General during the time of the 28<sup>th</sup> PIELC, I regret to inform you that he will be unable to attend. Nevertheless, I am pleased to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event.

Yours sincerely,

Yeocheol Yoon  
Special Assistant to the Secretary-General  
and Chief, Scheduling Office

Mr. John Mellgren  
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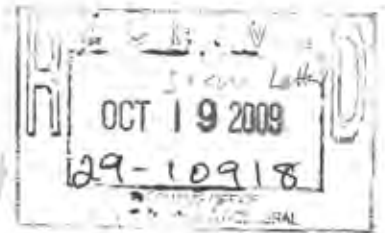
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

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To give you an idea of the structure of the event, I have enclosed a brochure from last year's Conference, *Solidarity! United Action for the Greener Good*. In 2009, the Conference hosted over 115 panels and workshops, a variety of multi-media presentations, **special** events, and dynamic keynote addresses throughout the weekend. The conference consistently attracts press, government officials, and environmental leaders from over forty countries. We hope that the Conference will provide you an invaluable opportunity to share your message and continue to inspire and educate thousands of progressive advocates.

We would be honored if you would give a keynote address at the Conference. Your message is important, and your presence would greatly benefit our conference and the environmental movement as a whole. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the phone number and email address below. We admire and are inspired by your work and we sincerely hope you accept our invitation.

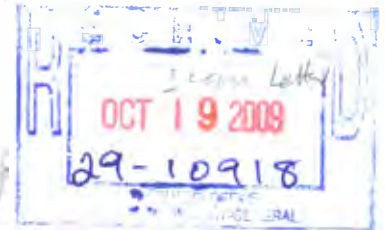
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