



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

4 December 2012

Dear Mr. Douglas,

It is my great pleasure to convey my best wishes and congratulations on the occasion of your 96th birthday. I am also honoured to express to you and your family, on behalf of the United Nations and all who strive towards disarmament and peace, our appreciation for the generous financial contribution which has been pledged in your name to the United Nations, by your son Michael, on the occasion of your birthday.

This important contribution will be used to further the work of the United Nations in the field of disarmament, to help us promote a world free of nuclear weapons, to help stem the illicit trade in small arms and light weapons, and to reach out to youth around the world to educate a new generation of peacebuilders.

This legacy towards peace is a most fitting tribute to both you and your son. As a Messenger of Peace, the commitment and dedication of your son to the goal of disarmament has been inspirational. I have personally been impressed by his eloquence and passion. Whether he is speaking to world leaders, diplomats, or the public-at-large, his sincerity and ability to communicate our need as a global people to strive and work for world peace is undeniable.

On the occasion of this momentous milestone, 96 years in which your career in the arts stands as a testament of your many achievements, let me wish you and your family much joy and happiness in the years to come.

Yours sincerely,

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