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MESSAGE TO GOLDBERG CLIMATE CHANGE  
MODEL UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE  
Sindelfingen, 18 – 21 October 2008

You are meeting at a crucial time for international cooperation. The ties that bind our common humanity together are fraying. Energy prices threaten to divide our world and our societies ever more sharply into “haves” and “have-nots”. Climate change hurts all of us, yet risks driving us into two camps: those who pollute, and those who suffer. The price of food could rip societies apart, nation from nation, community from community, neighbour from neighbour. And as we pass the midpoint in the race to reach the Millennium Development Goals, we know that failure to meet the 2015 deadline would deal a devastating blow to the trust forged between the developed and developing world, as well as between Governments and their citizens.

Do not be intimidated by this roster. Each challenge is the product of human choices, of mistaken priorities, of inadequate institutions and laws. Each can be resolved through individual and collective action, through the innovative ideas and fresh energies that will characterize your generation of problem solvers. We are not fated to watch our world disintegrate, devolving into the law of the jungle. We can renew the ties that bind, asserting our common interests, our common ideals, and our common humanity.

How can we do this? We can do it through the United Nations. As the world’s only universal organization, the UN is uniquely placed to provide us with the tools to address these global issues. It can link countries one to another, region to region, neighbour to neighbour, public to private, rich to poor.

What we need is a collective effort -- not separate endeavours by separate ministries, organizations, or NGOs. It requires leadership at the highest level, which only world leaders themselves can mobilize. We must pull together the various strands of our work on food security, climate change, and the Millennium Development Goals, because we cannot successfully address these challenges in isolation. The United Nations can serve as the multilateral platform for implementing concrete actions on all of them.

This is why we need to build a stronger United Nations for a better world. There is a world of work to do. Change is our vocation, the world our workplace. I would be honoured to have you join me in this quest. In this spirit, I wish you a most stimulating conference.

BAN Ki-moon



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16/09/2008 06:24 PM

To AgatheZug@gmx.de

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Henninger/NY/UNO@UNHQ

bcc

Subject Message from the Secretary-General to the Goldberg  
Climate Change Model United Nations, 18 - 21 October 2008

Dear Ms. Zug,

Further to your request I am pleased to send you the Secretary-General's message to the Goldberg Climate Change Model United Nations, along with our best wishes for a successful event.

Yours sincerely,

Ruxandra Ferascu



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Agathe Zug  
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29/04/2008 11:57 AM

To Ruxandra Ferascu <ferascu@un.org>  
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Subject Re: Wtrlt: Request for message from the Secretary-General  
to the Goldberg Model United Nations, October

munog\_ccc munog\_ccc schrieb:

> Dear Madam or Sir,

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> Thank you for your quick response. It will be a great honor for us to  
receive a message from the Secretary-General on the occasion of our first  
climate change conference in Sindelfingen.

> Our deadline is 15 September 2008.

> Many thanks for your support.

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> Yours sincerely

> Agathe Zug

On behalf of the MUNOG\_CCC Secretariat

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> Model United Nations of Goldberg Climate Change Conference

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> Request for message from the Secretary-General to the Goldberg Model  
United Nations, October 2008

> Von:

> Ruxandra Ferascu <ferascu@un.org>

> Datum:

> Tue, 22 Apr 2008 17:38:39 -0400

> An:

> munog\_ccc@goldberg-gymnasium.de

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> Dear Sir,

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> Thank you for your letter to the Secretary-General, received on 11 April,  
> in which you invite him to send a message to the Goldberg Model United  
> Nations which will take place in Sindelfingen from 18 to 21 October 2008.

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> We would be pleased to provide a message. Please be advised that a text  
> will be sent to you closer to the date of the event, so that it can reflect  
> the latest developments at the United Nations and in the wider  
> international arena. Please let us know when is your deadline for  
> receiving it.

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> Many thanks for your interest and support.

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> Yours sincerely,

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> Ruxandra Ferascu

> Communications and Speechwriting Unit



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22/04/2008 04:43 PM

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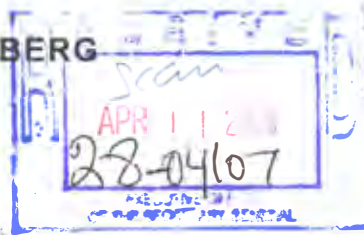
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Many thanks for your interest and support.

Yours sincerely,

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**MODEL UNITED NATIONS OF GOLDBERG  
CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE  
Sindelfingen, 18 – 21 October 2008**



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The United Nations  
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Sindelfingen, 04-04-2008

**Request for a statement of support from his Excellency Mr. Secretary-General**

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

we are writing on behalf of the organization committee of our Model United Nations which will take place at Goldberg-Gymnasium near Stuttgart, Germany in October 2008.

It is our distinct pleasure that we will be able to welcome students from Germany and all around the world to the 1<sup>st</sup> session of MUNOG\_CCC.

As a Model United Nations Conference aims to educate the participants about civics, effective communication, globalization and multilateral diplomacy, we decided our MUNOG should place emphasis on matters of climate change.

Our staff, who have worked tirelessly for over 10 months to make the conference a memorable experience and to breed dynamic debate, intends to model our conference on the one, which took place in Bali 2007.

In our Model UN, students will not only take on roles as foreign diplomats and participate in a simulated session, but also do research on the country they represent, investigate international issues of climate, debate, deliberate, consult, and then develop solutions to the problem of climate change.

Our organization committee is inspired by the UN, convinced that it is very important to work in partnership and to improve international relations. Young people will be exposed to diverse points of view and gain new insights about the urgent issues of our time, especially the climate change problem.

In order to evoke an outstanding motivation within the young people who will participate, the organization committee and all the participants would be very delighted, if his Excellency Mr. Secretary-General were able to write and send us a short message of support to be included in our program.

With thanks in advance.

Yours sincerely,

The secretariat of MUNOG\_CCC

P.S.: Of course, we would be very glad if his Excellency himself found time to visit our conference in October.