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REFERENCE:

8 October 2015

Dear Ms. *Joette* Sheeran,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter dated 9 April 2015, inviting him and his wife to the annual Asia Game Changer Awards ceremony and dinner, which will be held in New York on 13 October 2015.

The Secretary-General appreciates your kind invitation. Unfortunately, I regret to inform you that he will be unable to attend the event, in view of prior commitments and pressing demands already on his schedule on the said date. Nevertheless, allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful evening.

Yours sincerely,

Jeffrey Feltman
Officer-in-Charge

Ms. Josette Sheeran
President and Chief Executive Officer
Asia Society
New York

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Re: For second round of advice: Second annual Asia Game Changer Awards on 13 October at UN HQ

Darrin Farrant to: Mattia Villa

03/09/2015 01:40 PM

Alexandra Barahona Posada, Aminata Sy, Amy Kyaw, Daw Yi Mon
Cc: Aung, G. Cucinotta, Jackilyn Punsal, Jaya Dayal, Mary Sack, Rania
Abdulrahman, Richard Amdur, Rommel Maranan, Ruxandra

History: This message has been replied to.

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Mattia Villa	<i>Thank you Darrin, well received. Best,</i>

Dear Mattia

DPI has reviewed the revised request and our original recommendation stands: the SG does not need to attend this event every year, and he already attended and participated last year.

Of course, if the SG has a personal connection to the event's organizers, then he may wish to attend for those reasons.

Best,
Darrin

Mattia Villa

Dear Darrin and Richard, The organisers of the...

03/09/2015 10:57:42 AM

From: Mattia Villa/NY/UNO
To: Darrin Farrant/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Richard Amdur/NY/UNO@UNHQ
Cc: Rania Abdulrahman/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Jaya Dayal/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Ruxandra
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Punsal/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Rommel Maranan/NY/UNO@UNHQ, Daw Yi Mon
Aung/NY/UNO@UNHQ
Date: 03/09/2015 10:57 AM
Subject: For second round of advice: Second annual Asia Game Changer Awards on 13 October at UN HQ

Dear Darrin and Richard,

The organisers of the event above mentioned just came back to us last night with a new request (please see attachment below):

[attachment "20150902110427.pdf" deleted by Darrin Farrant/NY/UNO]

The initial invitation (attached below) was previously regretted upon DPI's recommendation. However, it seems that the organisers have a close/personal connection to the SG, and he did participate in previous editions.

[attachment "15-03187.PDF" deleted by Darrin Farrant/NY/UNO]

Based on this information, grateful if you could kindly advise whether

- 1) the SG should consider attending, or sending a representative/message or other response to the invitation to the award ceremony
- 2) the SG should agree to have a private meeting with Manny Pacquiao prior to the event.

Kindly send your feedback by 5:00pm today please as we would like to respond the soonest.

Many thanks,
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Re: For second round of advice: Second annual Asia Game Changer Awards on 13 October at UN HQ

Richard Amdur to: Mattia Villa
Cc: Wook-Jin Chang

03/09/2015 11:30 AM

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thanks, mattia. this doesn't seem like a high or even a medium priority from a substantive point of view. this is really about the asia society wanting us to "bless" its awardees (there may also be a fund-raising angle), and i don't like us being used in that way. but i see no harm if sg wants to go for part of the evening given his relationship with the asia society and its president. best, richard

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September 1, 2015

His Excellency Mr. Ban Ki-moon
Secretary General
United Nations
United Nations Plaza
New York, NY 10014



Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

It was wonderful to be with you and Mrs. Ban Friday, together with such an inspired group.

As we discussed, we have a distinguished and amazing list of honorees again this year, and a truly inspirational Game Changer of the Year in the great Philippine boxing icon and humanitarian Manny Pacquiao. Everything about his work – as a humanitarian, legislator, and above all as a champion for his people – is deserving of recognition, and we are proud to have Mr. Pacquiao leading the Game Changers contingent at the U.N. this year. We have been working with your team, and look forward to having you and Mrs. Ban with us again. Manny Pacquiao would also hope to join you and your senior team for a private meeting prior to the event, just as we did in such a wonderful way with our 2014 Game Changer of the Year Jack Ma.

The dinner and awards ceremony will begin at 7:00pm, and we look forward once again to your remarks in welcoming the honorees, and our audience. Your welcome last year was a highlight of a truly memorable evening.

We look very much forward to seeing you and engaging once again for this wonderful event. Your ongoing support of Asia Society's activities are deeply appreciated.

Sincerely,

Josette M. Sheeran
President & CEO

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Fw: Letter from Josette Sheeran to Secretary General

SGCentral to: Hazel Foster

Sent by: Jill Annitto

03/09/2015 08:39 AM

----- Forwarded by Susana Malcorra/NY/UNO on 03/09/2015 07:51 AM -----

From: Mirza Burgos <MBurgos@asiasociety.org>
To: Susana Malcorra <malcorra@un.org>
Date: 02/09/2015 02:09 PM
Subject: Letter from Josette Sheeran to Secretary General

Josette asked me to send you a copy of her letter to the Secretary General.

Best,

Mirza M. Burgos

From: Mirza Burgos
Sent: Wednesday, September 02, 2015 1:02 PM
To: 'kimis@un.org' <kimis@un.org>
Subject: Letter from Josette Sheeran to Secretary General

Dear Isabelle,

Hope this note finds you well. Attached please find a letter from Josette Sheeran to the Secretary General. Would greatly appreciate you sharing with him. Thank you.

Best regards,

Mirza M. Burgos
Senior Executive Associate
Office of the President



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