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24 March 2014

Dear Ms. Sheeran,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter dated 19 March 2014, inviting him to deliver opening remarks at the formal launch of the Asia Society Policy Institute, to be held in New York, on 8 April 2014.

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 a scheduling conflict on the said date. Nevertheless, allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful launch.

Yours sincerely, .



Susana Malcorra
Chef de Cabinet

Ms. Josette Sheeran
President and Chief Executive Officer
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New York



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**Response to Invitation to the Secretary-General: Formal launch of the Asia
Society Policy Institute, New York, 8 April 2014**

Jackilyn Punsal to: jsheeran
Cc: Sebastien Lawson

24/03/2014 12:00 PM

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Dear Ms. Sheeran,

Please see the attached scan of formal communication from the Executive Office of the Secretary-General in regard to the above-mentioned subject.



Response to invitation_Asia Society Policy Institute.pdf

The original has been sent via mail. Kindly confirm receipt of this email.

Thank you.

Sincerely,
Ms. Jackilyn Punsal
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March 19, 2014

His Excellency Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General of the United Nations
UN Headquarters
First Avenue at 46th Street
New York, NY 10017

Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

On behalf of Asia Society, I am honored and delighted to **invite you to make opening remarks at the formal launch of the Asia Society Policy Institute on April 8 in New York, which will feature a special session with Henry Kissinger.**

The Asia Society Policy Institute is a new independent, non-partisan, and global institute tackling the critical political and economic issues facing Asia and the United States in the 21st century. The Institute will build on Asia Society's strengths by integrating Asian and American perspectives to develop joint solutions to Asia-Pacific challenges, and by bringing both business and policy leaders together in the first Asia policy network.

We will be joined on April 8 by many luminaries from the world of U.S. and Asian diplomacy and business, civil society, and the arts—all of whom are stalwart supporters of the Asia Society itself. Madeleine Albright, Mukesh Ambani, Shaukat Aziz, James Baker III, Maurice "Hank" Greenberg, Henry Kissinger, Sadako Ogata, Washington SyCip, CH Tung, and John Whitehead have all agreed to serve as the Institute's Honorary Counselors. Dr. Kissinger will speak at the event in the morning, in conversation with IMF Deputy Managing Director Zhu Min. This will be followed by two panel discussions featuring policy and business leaders from Asia and the United States and an exclusive, capstone luncheon. We would be eager for you to join us in a panel exploring "How Americans and Asians Can Connect to Shape the Next 50 Years."

I greatly appreciate your consideration of this invitation, and look forward to discussing this with you or your staff. We are flexible on when you participate, between 9:15 a.m. and noon. Please feel free to contact me (+1-212-327-9234; jsheeran@asiasociety.org) or Asia Society director Matt Stumpf, (+1-202-414-2801; mstumpf@asiasociety.org).

Sincerely,

Josette Sheeran
President & CEO

To SL

Pls regret as per Cdc's message
to Mr. Sheeran by e-mail on 20/03/14
regretting already his participation.

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