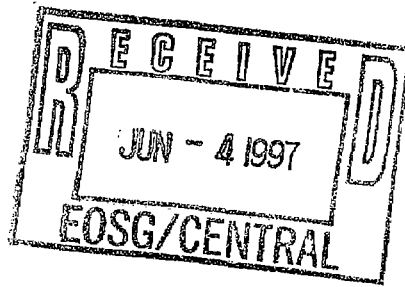




THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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29 May 1997

Dear Mr. Klein,

I am writing to ask you to please assist Dr. Michael Doyle, professor at Princeton University and senior fellow of the International Peace Academy (IPA). Professor Doyle is conducting research on the operations of UNTAES and the peace-building process in Eastern Slavonia. Professor Doyle has written extensively on United Nations peace-keeping, including the United Nations operation in Cambodia, and he is a member of the Advisory Committee of the Lessons Learned Unit of the United Nations Department of Peace-keeping Operations and of the External Research Advisory Committee of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.


This study is part of an IPA project on the lessons and strategies of peace-building. IPA is a nongovernmental policy research institution in New York with close ties to the United Nations community. Dr. Doyle and his colleagues are examining a range of cases of efforts to address the root causes of conflict and to establish the institutions and capacities that can prevent the escalation of societal conflicts into violence. His particular interest in the study of UNTAES is to understand the means through which administrative authority has been exercised as well as to study the means used to begin a process of peace-building between the divided communities of the region.

Mr. Jacques Klein  
Transitional Administrator  
UNTAES  
Bukovar

He will be accompanied in part of his research trip by Dr. Elizabeth Cousens, associate at IPA, and Mr. Jan-Werner Mueller, research intern of IPA.

Please lend him appropriate assistance in the conduct of his research, which is receiving the support of the United Nations.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Annan', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Kofi A. Annan