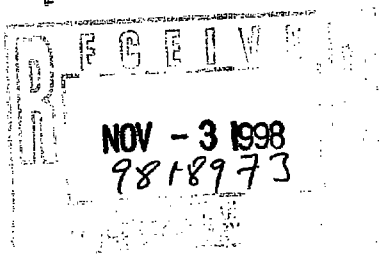


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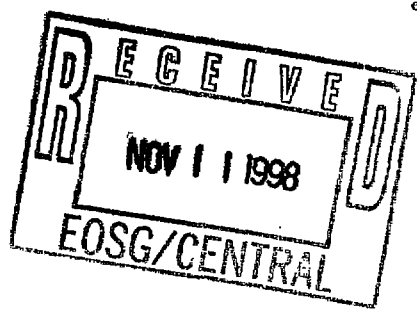
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Mrs. Louise Frechette
Deputy-Secretary General
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Dear Mrs. Frechette:

Thank you very much for participating with the International Campaign to Ban Landmines in our press conference on 1 October. We believe that such events are extremely important to demonstrate the continued momentum of the ban movement.

To have the participation of so many of the important leaders representing the partnership of governments and civil society that made the ban a reality underscores that joint commitment to the ultimate eradication of the weapon.

With so many important issues facing the United Nations at the moment, it was particularly appreciated that you took so much time to spend at the press conference and that the Secretary General was able to spend a few moments in the room as well.

Now, with the dates of the first meeting of states parties of the Mine Ban Treaty set for early May of next year, the ICBL has re-doubled its own efforts to produce its first report of the "Landmine Monitor" to coincide with that meeting. With the "Monitor" through the ICBL, civil society will monitor implementation of and compliance with the Treaty by governments -- another innovation of the work of the Campaign. We look forward to cooperation of the United Nations for this effort.

Again, thank you and the Secretary General.

Sincerely,

Jody Williams

cc: Secretary General Annan

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