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The Executive Office of the Secretary-General presents its compliments to the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations and acknowledges its Note Verbale of 15 July 2008, requesting a meeting between the Secretary-General and His Excellency Mr. Walid Al-Moualem, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Syrian Arab Republic, between 22 and 30 September 2008.

The period during the opening of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly, the High-level Event on the Millennium Development Goals and the General Debate will be an extremely busy time for all parties. Be assured that your request is being brought to the attention of the Secretary-General. The Executive Office of the Secretary-General is still receiving information about numerous meetings and events relating to the session that will require the Secretary-General's presence. It is therefore not possible to determine how much time will be available for bilateral meetings, until closer to the opening of the General Assembly.

In the interim, the Executive Office of the Secretary-General would appreciate if the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations could inform the Chief of the Scheduling Office, Mr. Yeocheol Yoon, should there be any change in the Minister's plans, or any details regarding the topics to be discussed in the requested meeting.

The Executive Office of the Secretary-General extends to the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.



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The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations (ESOG) and with reference to its note no. EOSG/SOSG/GA63/001 dated June 20, 2008 has the honour to inform that the Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations would like to arrange a meeting between His Excellency Mr. Walid Al-MOUALEM, Foreign Minister of the Syrian Arab Republic and His Excellency Mr. Ban Ki-moon Secretary-General of the United Nations, during the General debate of the sixty-third session of the General Assembly, Mr. AL-MOUALEM will be in New York in the period between the 22ed and the 30th of September 2008. The person in charge of the schedule of Minister Al-MOUALEM at the Syrian Mission is Mr. Mazen Adi, second Secretary, at Tel 212-661-1313, cell 646-508-6550 Fax 212-983-4439

The Permanent Mission of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Executive Office of the Secretary-General of the United Nations (ESOG) the assurances of its highest consideration.

New York, 15th July 2008

H.E. Mr Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General
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