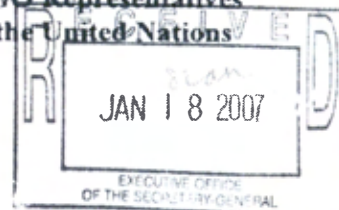




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On behalf of the Committee on Teaching About the United Nations (CTAUN), I would like to thank you for your kind response to our invitation to the Secretary-General. Though disappointed, we do understand the very busy schedule he has in these early days of office.

May we therefore extend our invitation to you personally to welcome conference registrants at our conference for educators on Friday, 2 February 2007. With your current position and the many other critical roles you have held both at the U.N. and in government service, this would be a perfect match.

"Responding to Children and Youth in Crisis: Educators in Partnership With the U.N." is the conference title. The areas of literacy, health/nutrition, security and rights of the child will be explored during this full day conference. We expect our conference attendees to obtain an updated view of the issues, to learn more about the importance of the U.N. in relation to them and return to their schools and communities with new ideas. Over 400 educators from throughout the U.S. and a number of other countries are expected to attend.

The conference will open at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. After my opening words, I would have the privilege of introducing you. After welcoming our registrants to the U.N., I would suggest that you give them an overview of your present position and share some of your thoughts on the importance of our conference topic. The suggested time frame would be about ten minutes, but this is flexible.

Queen Rania of Jordan is likely to attend and her address would be next on the program. Other parts of the day are the Health/Nutrition, Literacy and Security panels, our awards, the Delegates Dining Room lunch, Information Fair and Rights of the Child and keynote speakers. Attached is the current version of our conference program.

CTAUN has held large conferences for educators at the U.N. for the past nine years. Each year's conference has a different focus. For more information, please look at our website - www.teachun.org. We are both pleased and proud of the number of educators attending our conferences, the important speakers addressing them and the increased interest in and growth of our committee.

We very much look forward to an affirmative response! Please contact me with any questions, suggestions, etc. at your convenience.

Sincerely yours,

Anne-Marie Carlson

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Friday, 2 February 2007 – United Nations, Conference Room 4

Conference Program

9:00 – Conference Sign-In Opens – U.N. Lobby Tables

9:50 – 10:00 – Conference Welcome – Anne-Marie Carlson, Conference Chair

10:00 – 10:25 -- Opening Speakers

Vijay Nambiar, Chef du Cabinet, United Nations – invited

Her Majesty Queen Rania Al-Abdullah of Jordan – invited

10:30 – 11:25 -- Health/Nutrition Panel

Moderator/Speaker – Dr. Peter Salama, Chief, Health Section, UNICEF

Nicole Johnson Baker, Miss America 1999 and Diabetes Advocate

Dr. Victor Mari Ortega, Deputy Director, NY Office of the Joint U.N. Programme on
AIDS (UNAIDS), United Nations

Mark Fryars, Director, Program Services, The Micronutrient Initiative, Ottawa, Canada

11:30 – 11:40 – CTAUN Best Practices Awards

11:45 – 12:50 – Lunch, Delegates Dining Room, United Nations

12:00 – 1:30 – Information Fair, U.N. Neck Area

1:35 – 2:30 -- Literacy Panel

Moderator/Speaker – Carolyn Makinson, Executive Director, Women's
Commission for Refugee Women and Children

Judith Chin, Regional Superintendent, NYC Board of Education

Walter Bender, Chief Operating Officer, One Laptop per Child, Cambridge, MA

Dr. Francisco J. Grijalva, Head of School, The Overlake School, Redmond, WA and
Katherine G. Berry, student

2:35 – 3:00 -- Rights of the Child Speaker

Professor Jonathan Todres, NYU School of Law and Chair, Rights of the Child,
American Bar Association

3:05 – 3:45 -- Security Panel

Moderator/Speaker – Shamil Idriss, Deputy Director of Office of Alliance of
Civilizations, United Nations

Hansjoerg Strohmeier, Chief of the Policy Development and Studies Branch, Office for
the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs, United Nations

Bol Riiny, Concordia College, Bronxville, NY Student from Sudan

3:50 – 4:20 -- Keynote Speaker

Dr. Charles MacCormack, President, Save the Children, USA

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