



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

24 December 2007

Dear Mr. Martin,

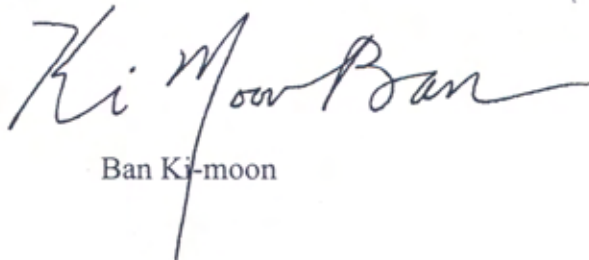
I write to thank you for your letter of 27 November 2007 and for updating me on the progress Gilead has been making over the last few months to increase access to HIV medications for those in need.

AIDS remains one of the greatest scourges of our times, and it is our crucial mission to ensure that everyone can access HIV prevention, treatment, care and support. That is why efforts such as yours are so important.

As you are aware, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS is in touch with Gilead, and a number of other pharmaceutical companies working on AIDS, to prepare for a meeting in the first half of next year, which I will chair. The meeting will discuss a number of issues related to increased access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support. I look forward to seeing you again at that meeting.

Best wishes for a wonderful holiday season,

Yours sincerely,

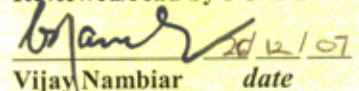
  
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