

Ethics Office
Top Ech: Tibaijuka

Note to Ms. Tibaijuka

Approval to participate in certain entities

1. Please refer to your email dated 12 June 2008 requesting approval of the Secretary-General for participating in certain entities.
2. On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to convey approval for the following **disclosed** activities, provided these are undertaken on your own time and at your own expense:
 1. Member of the COASAD: African Organisation for Food Security and Sustainable Development;
 2. Founding Chairperson of Johansson Girls' Education Trust; and
 3. Member of BAWATA: The Tanzanian National Women's Council.
3. In this regard and in order to protect your independence and impartiality, please be advised that you should ensure the following:
 - (i) that you should not make any representations or intercede on behalf of these entities in relation to any dealings that they may have with the United Nations;
 - (ii) not to act as the spokesperson (mouth piece) for these entities;
 - (iii) that any 'insider or confidential information' (information not yet readily available to the public) to which you are privy as a result of discharging your United Nations duties remains in confidence; and
 - (iv) that you do not solicit funds or donations/contributions in kind for these entities.
4. *I would like to apologise for the delay in my response.*

Vijay Nambiar

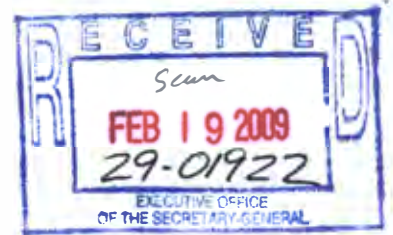
Vijay Nambiar
19 February 2009

cc: Mr. Kim

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Note to Mr. Nambiar



I refer to the email message you forwarded to me from Ms. Anna Tibaijuka, Under Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN-Habitat which I received on 18 February 2009. The email seeks the Secretary-General's approval for Ms. Tibaijuka to participate as:

1. Member of COASAD: African Organization for Food Security and Sustainable Development
2. Founding Chairperson of Johansson Girls' Education Trust
3. Member of BAWATA: The Tanzanian National Women's Council

Given the facts presented, the proposed outside activities do not appear to conflict in substance with her official function nor do they appear to be against the interest of the United Nations. However, to protect Ms. Tibaijuka's independence and impartiality, I would advise her to ensure the following:

- (i) that she not make any representations or intercede on behalf of these entities in relation to any dealings they may have with the United Nations;
- (ii) that she not act as the spokesperson (mouth piece) for these entities;
- (iii) that any 'insider or confidential' information (information not yet readily available to the public) to which she is privy as a result of discharging her United Nations duties and responsibilities, remains in confidence; and
- (iv) that she not personally solicit funds or donations/contributions in kind for these entities.

Based on the information provided, it is appropriate for you to approve these outside activities pursuant to staff regulation 1.2 (p) and paragraph 11 of ST/IC/2006/30 on "Outside Activities" provided that they are undertaken on her own time, at her own expense.

Should you require additional clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me again

Robert Benson
Director
Ethics Office

18 February 2009