

THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

Your Majesty,

With the consent of your Government, and after consultation with the heads of the various organizations of the United Nations system, I have the honour to designate Mr. Reyad Mohd. Al-Ahmad as the Resident Coordinator of the United Nations system's operational activities for development in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. The functions of the Resident Coordinator are outlined in paragraph 34 of the annex to General Assembly resolution 32/197 of 20 December 1977, which provides for arrangements for the better coordination of operational activities for development by the United Nations system at the country level.

In accordance with these provisions, Mr. Al-Ahmad, on behalf of the United Nations system, will have overall responsibility and exercise team leadership for the coordination of operational activities for development in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. He will be responsible to me for discharging these functions which will be carried out in conformity with the priorities established by your competent national authorities.

These arrangements do not affect relations between your Government and individual organizations of the United Nations system or the direct lines of authority and communication between the representatives of these organizations at the country level and their own executive heads.

It would be appreciated if your Government could keep the Resident Coordinator informed of matters relevant to the exercise of his functions to ensure the better coordination of the system's operational activities.

The Custodian of the Two Holy Mosques
King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz Al-Saud
King of Saudi Arabia and Prime Minister of the
Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
Riyadh

Letter to King Saudi Arabia
Drafted by: UNDP
Read by: AI
Reviewed by: AC
Authorized by: KWS


21/05/2008

Signed on 22.05

In addition to the foregoing, the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), with the consent of your Government and pursuant to the relevant agreement between UNDP and your Government, has appointed Mr. Al-Ahmad as UNDP Resident Representative. Mr. Al-Ahmad will be directly responsible to the Administrator, as well as to the heads of those organizations that utilize the UNDP Resident Representative as their representative, for all matters concerning their respective activities.

Guided by the intentions of the General Assembly, I have the honour to invite you to arrange for Mr. Al-Ahmad, in the performance of his functions, to receive the cooperation of the appropriate authorities in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and to express the confidence that this designation will serve to strengthen the collaboration between your Government and the organizations of the United Nations system engaged in operational activities for development in your country.

Please accept, Your Majesty, the assurances of my highest consideration.



BAN Ki-moon