



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

4 February 2008

Dear Sergei,

Upon returning from my two-week visit of Europe and Africa, I write to express my thanks to you for the support that my delegation and I received during my visit to Geneva last month. My team and I were especially grateful to those who assisted in coordinating our programme and supporting the delegation during this brief but very important visit.

Above all, I would like to share my deep appreciation to you and your staff for successfully arranging the Memorial Ceremony for the victims of the terrorist attack on the United Nations Office in Algiers. The unveiling of the framed battle-scarred United Nations flag was a moving moment for us all.

Once again, please convey my appreciation, and that of the other members of the delegation, to all our UNOG colleagues who contributed to the success of this visit.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ki Moon Ban", is written over the typed name "Ban Ki-moon".

Ban Ki-moon

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