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Dear Mr. Park,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I wish to thank you for your letter dated 17 November 2009, inviting him to take part in the 16th National Model UN Conference - Korea, scheduled to take place in Busan in July/August 2010.

Unfortunately, in view of the commitments on the schedule of the Secretary-General at that time, I regret to inform you that he will be unable to take part in this gathering. Allow me, nevertheless, to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for a successful event.

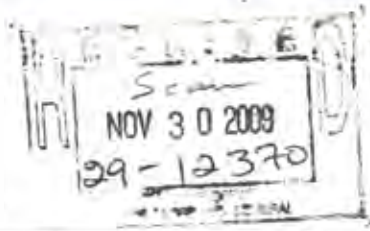
Yours sincerely,

KIM Won-soo

Special Adviser to the Secretary-General
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Mr. PARK Maeng Eon
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Subject : Invitation to the 16th National Model UN Conference – Korea

Dear Secretary-General,

It is my great honor to write to you this letter on behalf of Pukyong National University, which is located in Busan, the Republic of Korea. First of all, I wish to express my sincere appreciation for your devotion to maintaining international peace and promoting cooperation in solving economic, social and humanitarian problems. With this letter, I have the further honor of inviting you to the 16th National Model UN Conference – Korea which will be held July/August in 2010 at Pukyong National University.


As you might be aware, the National Model UN Conference-Korea was created in 1995 on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the establishment of the United Nations and provides certainly the largest discussion forum for motivated Korean students. In 2010, more than 500 students from 70 universities will attend the 16th National Model UN Conference – Korea, which will focus on current major world issues. In this context, an International Students Conference will take place in parallel at Pukyong National University. For this International Students Conference, we will invite about 25 representative students from 10 member countries to the United Nations Memorial Cemetery in Korea (UNMCK), as part of a new project “the University Alliance of Global Peace (UAGP)” in conjunction with the UNMCK. All UAGP participants will also join the National Model UN Conference-Korea as special participants.

Located near the UNMCK, Pukyong National University is passionately carrying out its policies to spread the ideal of peace among today's young generation, with hope that this generation finds the right way to follow the spirit of the UN and go forward to make this world a better place. In addition, a UN Peace Education Center will be established in the near future on the campus of Pukyong National University which will aim to promote friendship and harmony among young people. Pukyong National University also took the initiative to found the UN Supporters Group, a volunteer group that honors those who sacrificed their lives for peace and human dignity in the Korean War.

The passage of time has brought about new concerns and new hopes for peace. The youth of today are inheriting a world where local conflicts are the new form of war rather than the global conflicts of the last century. New solutions for peace will be found by the new generation to resolve these conflicts. It is the sincere wish of Pukyong National University that the UAGP contributes to the achievement of this goal and for its participants to meet and walk in the footsteps of their ancestors in Korea.

Sincerely hoping to have you present at the 16th National Model UN Conference, on behalf of Pukyong National University and all Korean student participants, I warmly invite and welcome you to this conference.

I wish you and your family happiness and prosperity.


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