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The Secretary-General appreciates your kind offer, which was brought to his attention. He further notes your generous donation of books to the have-nots and the award you were granted by the County of Los Angeles for your work in promoting reading and writing.

I regret, however, to inform you that the Secretary-General will not be in Geneva on the said date. Nevertheless, you may wish to send the copy of the book to New York.

With our best wishes of success in your future endeavours.

Yours sincerely,

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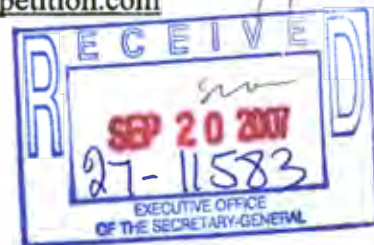
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Sirs/ Mesdames,

REQUEST TO PRESENT A BOOK TO SECRETARY-GENERAL BAN IN GENEVA ON MONDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2007

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We are 18 years old, the children of an Indian father and English mother, and live in Switzerland.

We would like to present Secretary-General Ban with a copy of our novel, *Conspiracy of Calaspia*, which was published last year in India and rose to Nr 2 on the bestseller list.

To encourage literacy and creativity among young people, an International Storytelling Competition has been launched around our book by entities based in India, Ireland and the USA. The Competition is open to anyone below the age of 26. The top ten writers (to be chosen by an international panel of eminent judges – to be announced soon) will win a 10 day all-expenses-paid tour of literary sites of the U.K. Information on our book and on ourselves is at www.twins.guptara.net And information about the literary competition is at www.calaspia-competition.com.

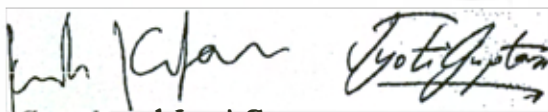
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It would be a great honour if we could present to Secretary-General Ban a copy of our novel, and have a picture taken. Could you please let us know how to proceed: is there any special permission needed in order to do this?

Many thanks.

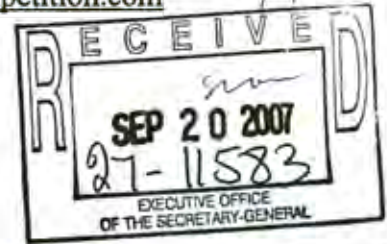
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