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Excellency,

The Secretary-General would be grateful if you could kindly forward the enclosed letters to:

His Excellency Mr. John Kerry, Secretary of State of the United States of America;

The Honourable Robert Menendez, United States Senate;

The Honourable Patrick Leahy, United States Senate; and

The Honourable Edward Royce, Member of Congress.

Please find attached copies of the letters for your information.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Susana Malcorra  
Chef de Cabinet

Her Excellency  
Ms. Susan E. Rice  
Permanent Representative of the  
United States to the United Nations  
New York

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**Note to the Chef de Cabinet**

Thank-you letters in connection with the Secretary-General's visit  
to Washington, D.C. from 13 to 14 February 2013

1. Please find attached a set of eight thank-you letters in connection with the Secretary-General's recent visit to Washington, D.C. in February 2013.
2. Your approval for the Secretary-General's signature on the letters is hereby recommended.

Thank you.



Victor Kisob  
22 March 2013

**Thank-you letters in connection with the**  
**Secretary-General's visit to Washington, D.C., from 13 to 14 February 2013**

1. His Excellency  
Mr. John Kerry  
Secretary of State of the United States of America  
Washington, D.C.
2. The Honourable Robert Menendez  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C.
3. The Honourable Patrick Leahy  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C.
4. The Honourable Edward Royce  
Member of Congress
5. His Excellency  
Mr. José Miguel Insulza  
Secretary General  
Organization of American States  
Washington, D.C.
6. Ms. Liz Schraye  
Executive Director  
U.S. Global Leadership Coalition  
Washington, D.C.
7. Mr. Andrew Tisch  
Board of Directors  
U.S. Global Leadership Coalition  
Washington, D.C.
8. Mr. Rodney Bent  
Director  
United Nations Information Centre  
Washington, D.C.

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Susana Malcorra

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THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

Dear Congressman Royce,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and the members of the House Foreign Affairs Committee on 13 February 2013 in Washington, D.C.

I am most grateful for the timely and constructive dialogue that we had with the Committee on a range of issues of mutual interest. I particularly valued your warm and positive introduction and strong expression of support towards me personally and to the United Nations.

As I told your Committee, I have articulated five priorities for my second term as Secretary-General and I am leading an effort to achieve a more efficient, accountable and transparent Organization. There are a number of economic, demographic, environmental and political trends that are re-shaping our world. The world needs the leadership of the United States more than ever.

I look forward to continued close collaboration with the Committee in our common endeavours towards development, peace and security in the world.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ban Ki-moon".

BAN/Ki-moon

The Honourable Edward Royce  
Member of Congress  
Washington, D.C.



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

Dear Senator Leahy,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you on 14 February 2013 in Washington, D.C.

I am most grateful for the timely and constructive dialogue that we had on a range of issues of mutual interest. I particularly valued your warm and strong expression of support for me personally and the United Nations.

I look forward to continued close collaboration with you in our common endeavours towards development, peace and security in the world.

Yours sincerely,

  
BAN Ki-moon

The Honourable Patrick Leahy  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C.



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

Dear Senator Menendez,

I would like to thank you for the opportunity to meet with you and the members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on 13 February 2013 in Washington, D.C.

I am most grateful for the timely and constructive dialogue that we had with the Committee on a range of issues of mutual interest. I particularly valued your warm introduction and strong expression of support towards me personally and to the United Nations.

As I told your Committee, I have articulated five priorities for my second term as Secretary-General and I am leading an effort to achieve a more efficient, accountable and transparent Organization. There are a number of economic, demographic, environmental and political trends ~~that~~ are re-shaping our world. The world needs the leadership of the United States more than ever.

I look forward to continued close collaboration with the Committee in our common endeavours towards development, peace and security in the world.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Ban Ki-moon' in a stylized cursive script.  
BAN Ki-moon

The Honourable Robert Menendez  
United States Senate  
Washington, D.C.



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

Excellency,

I would like to thank you for the warm and extraordinary meeting on 14 February 2013 in Washington, D.C., so soon after your assumption of duties at the Department of State.

I am most grateful for the timely and constructive dialogue that we had on a range of issues of mutual interest and concern. I particularly valued your warm and strong expression of support towards me personally and to the United Nations.

As I mentioned, there are only three years left before the climate change summit. 2015 is an important milestone for the Millennium Development Goals, climate change and the Sustainable Development Goals. Next year would be a good opportunity for world leaders to tout these issues. I appreciate your strong commitment to fight climate change. The world needs the leadership of the United States more than ever.

I look forward to continued close collaboration with you in our common endeavours towards development, peace and security in the world.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Ki Moon Ban'.  
BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency  
Mr. John Kerry  
Secretary of State of the  
United States of America  
Washington, D.C.



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

Dear Mr. Bent,

I would like to thank you for your attentiveness and invaluable support provided to me and my team during my recent short visit to Washington, D.C.

My gratitude goes also to Ms. Karen Smyth, Congressional Liaison Officer, for her kind assistance and personal involvement in the logistical arrangements and preparation of the programme for my visit.

Thank you again for your hospitality and for ensuring that my visit was such a productive and remarkable experience.

Yours sincerely,

  
BAN Ki-moon

Mr. Rodney Bent  
Director  
United Nations Information Centre  
Washington, D.C.





THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

22 March 2013

Excellency,

I would like to thank you for the warm welcome that you and members of your cabinet afforded to me and my delegation during my recent visit to the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington, D.C.

It was a great pleasure to meet with you and to have a frank and highly productive exchange of views on various issues of critical importance to both Organizations.

I particularly valued the opportunity to address the Permanent Council of the OAS and emphasize that cooperation between the United Nations and regional organizations is not just an aspiration, it is a necessity; hence, the importance to develop a deeper strategic partnership between the OAS and the United Nations in order to fuel solutions to the problems that arise in today's society, particularly in areas where the tasks of our Organizations coincide.

I am most grateful for your attentiveness and the memorable lunch that you so graciously hosted in my honour, where I very much enjoyed speaking and interacting with H.E. Mr. Denis Moncada, Chair of the Permanent Council of the OAS, and other members of the Council.

Please extend my sincere thanks to your colleagues who helped arrange my programme, particularly Mr. Jorge Sanin, Director of the Department of International Affairs, and Ms. Ana O'Brien, Chief of the Office of Protocol, for their professional assistance in facilitating my visit to the OAS.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

  
BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency  
Mr. José Miguel Insulza  
Secretary General  
Organization of American States  
Washington, D.C.