



THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

5 March 2012

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BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency

Mr. ...

Head of State/Prime Minister of ... [Name of country]

[Capital]

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ENGLISH (137 Member States ~~plus 2 non-Member States~~)

AFGHANISTAN	IRAQ	SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS
ALBANIA	IRELAND	SAINT LUCIA
ANGOLA	ISRAEL	SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	ITALY	SAMOA
ARMENIA	JAMAICA	SAUDI ARABIA
AUSTRALIA	JAPAN	SERBIA
AUSTRIA	JORDAN	SEYCHELLES
AZERBAIJAN	KAZAKHSTAN	SIERRA LEONE
BAHAMAS	KENYA	SINGAPORE
BAHRAIN	KIRIBATI	SLOVAKIA
BANGLADESH	KUWAIT	SLOVENIA
BARBADOS	KYRGYZSTAN	SOLOMON ISLANDS
BELARUS	LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC	SOMALIA
BELIZE	LATVIA	SOUTH AFRICA
BHUTAN	LESOTHO	SOUTH SUDAN
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	LIBERIA	SRI LANKA
BOTSWANA	LIBYA	SUDAN
BRAZIL	LIECHTENSTEIN	SURINAME
BRUNEI DARUSSALAM	LITHUANIA	SWAZILAND
BULGARIA	MALAWI	SWEDEN
CAMBODIA	MALAYSIA	SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC
CANADA	MALDIVES	TAJIKISTAN
CHINA	MALTA	THAILAND
CROATIA	MARSHALL ISLANDS	THE FORMER YUGOSLAV
CYPRUS	MAURITIUS	REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA
CZECH REPUBLIC	MICRONESIA	TIMOR-LESTE
DEMOCRATIC PEOPLE'S	MONGOLIA	TONGA
REPUBLIC OF KOREA	MONTENEGRO	TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO
DENMARK	MOZAMBIQUE	TURKEY
DOMINICA	MYANMAR	TURKMENISTAN
EGYPT	NAMIBIA	TUVALU
ERITREA	NAURU	UGANDA
ESTONIA	NEPAL	UKRAINE
ETHIOPIA	NETHERLANDS	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES
FIJI	NEW ZEALAND	UNITED KINGDOM
FINLAND	NIGERIA	UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA
GAMBIA	NORWAY	UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
GEORGIA	OMAN	UZBEKISTAN
GERMANY	PAKISTAN	VANUATU
GHANA	PALAU	VIET NAM
GREECE	PAPUA NEW GUINEA	YEMEN
GRENADA	PHILIPPINES	ZAMBIA
GUYANA	POLAND	ZIMBABWE
HUNGARY	PORTUGAL	
ICELAND	QATAR	
INDIA	REPUBLIC OF KOREA	NON-MEMBER STATES
INDONESIA	REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA	COOK ISLANDS
IRAN	RUSSIAN FEDERATION	NIUE

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LE SECRÉTAIRE GÉNÉRAL

Le 5 mars 2012

Monsieur le Président,

La Conférence des Nations Unies sur le développement durable approche à grands pas. Rio+20, comme on l'appelle également, se tiendra à Rio de Janeiro (Brésil) du 20 au 22 juin 2012. Je remercie le gouvernement hôte, qui apporte une aide précieuse dans le cadre des préparatifs de cette conférence, qui offre une rare opportunité d'avancer sur la voie du développement durable à l'échelle mondiale.

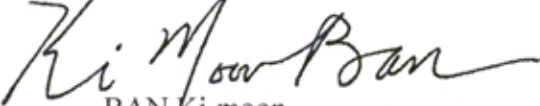
Peut-être avez-vous déjà reçu une invitation de la Présidente de la République fédérative du Brésil, Son Excellence Mme Dilma Rousseff. Je tiens également à vous inviter personnellement à prendre part à cette manifestation historique. Votre présence sera le signe de votre ferme engagement en faveur de l'avenir durable que nous souhaitons instaurer pour les peuples du monde entier.

Les questions qui seront abordées sont cruciales: comment éliminer la pauvreté, faire prospérer nos économies et promouvoir la justice sociale tout en améliorant la protection et la préservation de nos écosystèmes. La Conférence sera l'occasion idéale de renouveler l'engagement politique en faveur du développement durable et d'examiner les progrès réalisés et les lacunes restant à combler dans la mise en œuvre des accords précédemment conclus.

Rio+20 rassemblera des chefs d'État et de gouvernement et autres représentants des États Membres et des représentants d'organisations intergouvernementales, du système des Nations Unies, de la société civile, des milieux universitaires et du secteur privé, qui se pencheront ensemble sur les deux thèmes de la Conférence: l'économie verte dans le cadre du développement durable et de l'élimination de la pauvreté; et le cadre institutionnel du développement durable. Je demeure convaincu qu'en adoptant des décisions orientées vers l'avenir, la Conférence permettra d'accélérer le progrès vers le développement durable.

Je vous saurais gré de bien vouloir confirmer votre présence dans les meilleurs délais.

Je vous prie d'agréer, Monsieur le Président, les assurances de ma très haute considération.


BAN Ki-moon

Son Excellence
Monsieur ...
Chef d'Etat/Premier Ministre de ... [Nom du pays]
[Capitale]

FRENCH (36 Member States plus 1 non-Member State)

ALGERIA	HAITI
ANDORRA	LEBANON
BELGIUM	LUXEMBOURG
BENIN	MADAGASCAR
BURKINA FASO	MALI
BURUNDI	MAURITANIA
CAMEROON	MONACO
CAPE VERDE	MOROCCO
CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC	NIGER
CHAD	ROMANIA
COMOROS	RWANDA
CONGO	SAN MARINO
COTE D'IVOIRE	SAO TOME AND PRINCIPE
DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO	SENEGAL
DJIBOUTI	SWITZERLAND
FRANCE	TOGO
GABON	TUNISIA
GUINEA	
GUINEA-BISSAU	NON-MEMBER STATE
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EL SECRETARIO GENERAL

5 de marzo de 2012

Excelentísimo señor:

La cuenta regresiva para la Conferencia de las Naciones Unidas sobre el Desarrollo Sostenible ha comenzado. Esta conferencia, también conocida como Río+20, se celebrará en Río de Janeiro (Brasil) del 20 al 22 de junio de 2012. El Gobierno anfitrión ha venido prestando un apoyo excelente a los preparativos. Considero que esta será una oportunidad única en esta generación para promover el desarrollo sostenible a nivel mundial.

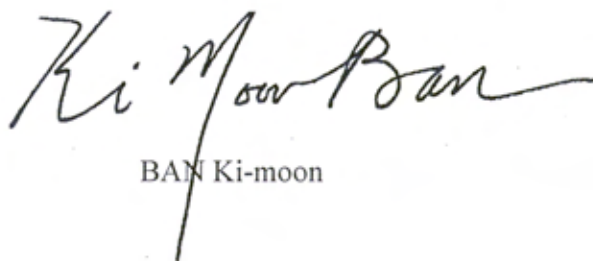
Es posible que ya haya recibido una invitación de la Excelentísima Señora Dilma Rousseff, Presidenta de la República Federativa del Brasil. Deseo también invitarle personalmente a participar en este acto histórico. Su participación dará muestras de un firme compromiso con el futuro sostenible que queremos para todos.

Las cuestiones en juego son fundamentales para nuestro futuro común: cómo poner fin a la pobreza, hacer que crezcan nuestras economías y promover la equidad social reforzando, al mismo tiempo, la protección y conservación de nuestros ecosistemas. La Conferencia será una plataforma única para renovar el compromiso político con el desarrollo sostenible y para examinar los avances y las lagunas en la aplicación de acuerdos anteriores.

Río+20 reunirá a Jefes de Estado y de Gobierno y otros representantes de los Estados Miembros con representantes de diversas organizaciones intergubernamentales, el sistema de las Naciones Unidas, la sociedad civil, círculos académicos y el sector privado para tratar los dos temas de la Conferencia: la economía ecológica en el contexto del desarrollo sostenible y la erradicación de la pobreza; y el marco institucional para el desarrollo sostenible. La adopción de decisiones orientadas al futuro sobre estos dos temas en Río+20 contribuirá a acelerar los avances en cuanto al desarrollo sostenible.

Aguardo con interés que confirme su participación lo antes posible.

Aprovecho la oportunidad para reiterar a Vuestra Excelencia las seguridades de mi consideración más distinguida.



BAN Ki-moon

Excelentísimo señor

...

Jefe de Estado/Primer Ministro de ... [Nombre del país]
[Capital]

SPANISH (20 Member States)

ARGENTINA
BOLIVIA
CHILE
COLOMBIA
COSTA RICA
CUBA
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
ECUADOR
EL SALVADOR
EQUATORIAL GUINEA
GUATEMALA
HONDURAS
MEXICO
NICARAGUA
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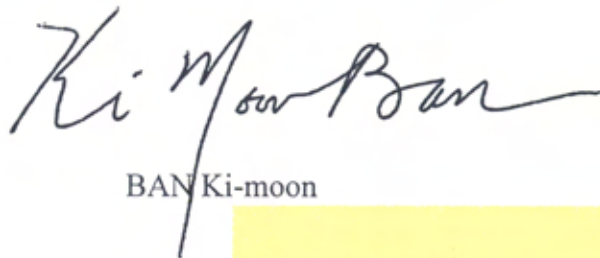
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His/Her Excellency
Mr./Ms. XXX
HoS/HoG of XXXX
City

To all Member States
[except Sudan]

To: Letter to HoS/G on Conference
on Sustainable Development

Drafted by: DESA

Cleared by: MO

Approved by: PO-A

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Authorized: _____

Date: 20 February 2011

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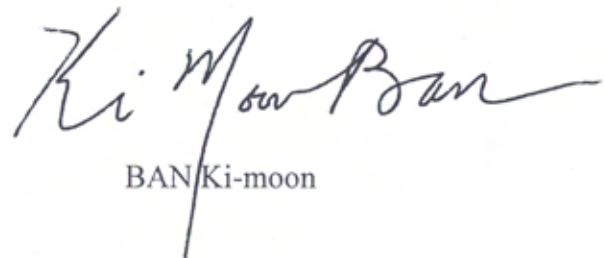
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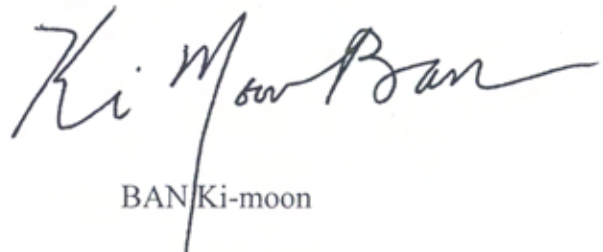
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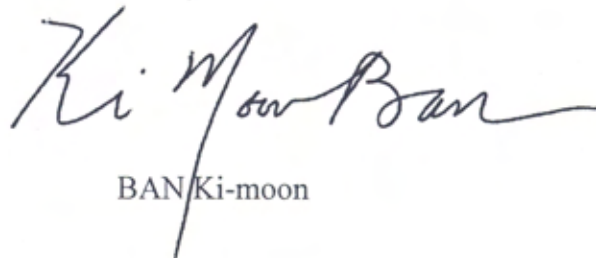
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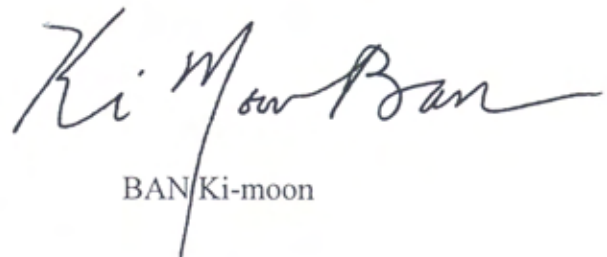
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His Excellency
The Hon. Toke Tufukia Talagi
Premier of Niue
Alofi

Secretary-General letters – Invitation to Rio+20 Conference
[Countries that did not receive an invitation from the President of Brazil]

English letters

1. His Excellency
Mr. Omer Hassan A. Al-Bashir
President of the Republic of Sudan
Khartoum

2. His Excellency
Mr. Salva Kiir
President of the Republic of South Sudan
Juba

3. His Excellency
Sir Geoffrey A. Henry
Prime Minister of the Cook Islands
Rarotonga

4. His Excellency *The Hon. Toke Tufukia Talagi*
~~Mr. Sani Lakotani~~ *correction made by the mission*
Premier of Niue
Alofi



Transmittal letters

1. His Excellency
Mr. Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali Osman
Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Sudan
to the United Nations
New York

2. His Excellency
Mr. David Buom Choat
Acting Permanent Representative
of the Republic of South Sudan
to the United Nations
New York

3. No Permanent Representative.
The letter will be sent directly to the Office of the Prime Minister directly.

4. No Permanent Representative.
The letter will be sent directly to the Office of the Premier directly.

5. Her Excellency
Mrs. Maria Luiza Ribeiro Viotti
Permanent Representative of Brazil
to the United Nations
New York

[The President of Brazil has sent her own invitation to HoS/G.
A copy of the invitation letter signed by the SG
will be sent to the PR for his information.]