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Your Excellency,

I am pleased to introduce to you Mr Max Hufanien Rai who has been appointed by the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea as its next Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary and Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

Papua New Guinea and United Nations currently have good relations especially in the areas of maintaining world peace and upholding the principle of the Charter of the United Nations.

Papua New Guinea has always been a strong advocate of Multilateralism under the aegis of the United Nation and also a supporter of the rights to fair level playing field for small developing countries concerning sustainable development and trade issues.

With the appointment of Mr Rai, a senior seasoned diplomat, it is his mandated responsibility to help consolidate, maintain and strengthen these relations by working closely with the United Nation on various international, regional, and national issues of mutual interest to achieve positive outcomes.

In this confidence, I commend Mr Rai to you and on behalf of the Government of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea, ask you to receive him favourably and afford him all possible help in the fulfilment of his mission to the United Nations.

With my best wishes,

Honourable Peter O'Neill, CMG, MP  
Prime Minister

His Excellency, Mr Ban Ki Moon  
Secretary General of the United Nations  
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THE PERMANENT MISSION  
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The Permanent Mission of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations presents its compliments to His Excellency Mr Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour and pleasure to inform that the Government of Papua New Guinea has decided to appoint H.E. Mr Max Hufanien Rai as Permanent Representative and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations.

✓ Additionally, Ambassador-Designate Rai's appointment is for a four-year term. He will be accompanied during his tour-of-duty by his spouse and family members, whose details shall be provided to the latter in due course.

Furthermore, Ambassador-Designate Rai is expected to take up his post in New York at the earliest opportunity once all prerequisite procedural formalities, both for Papua New Guinea and the United Nations, are concluded.

Accordingly, the former wishes to, with further pleasure, convey to His Excellency, Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the attached copy of the Letter of Introduction from The Honourable Peter O'Neill, CMG, MP, Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea, on behalf of the Government of Papua New Guinea, on the appointment of H.E. Mr Max Hufanien Rai as the Permanent Representative and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations. The original text of the said Letter of Introduction shall be conveyed to the latter in due course.

In so doing, the former wishes to also kindly request the latter's consideration to schedule, preferably in the first fiscal quarter of 2016, the presentation of the Letter of Introduction and accreditation to His Excellency the Secretary-General by H.E. Mr Max Hufanien Rai as the Permanent Representative-Designate and Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations.

✓ The former therefore would appreciate it if the latter could kindly provide an appropriate response, at the earliest convenience, to the said request.

The Permanent Mission of the Independent State of Papua New Guinea to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to His Excellency Mr Ban Ki-moon, Secretary-General of the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.

21 January 2016, New York



H.E. Mr Ban Ki-moon  
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