

**THANK YOU LETTERS FOR THE SECRETARY-GENERAL'S VISIT TO**  
**SLOVENIA**

(19 – 20 July 2012)

1. **His Excellency Mr. Danilo Türk**, President of the Republic of Slovenia
2. **His Excellency Mr. Janez Janša**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia
3. **His Excellency Mr. Gregor Virant**, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia
4. **Her Excellency Ms. Sanja Štiglic**, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Slovenia to the United Nations
5. **Ms. Ksenija Benedetti**, Chief of Protocol of the Republic of Slovenia

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THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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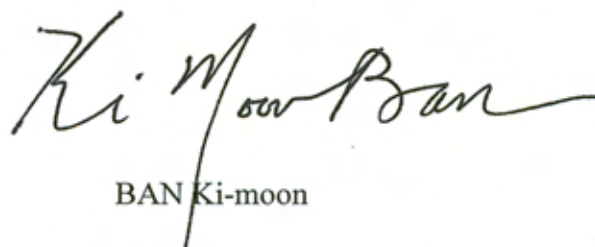
Excellency,

I would like to sincerely thank you for hosting me and my delegation during my official visit to Slovenia on 19 and 20 July 2012. I was moved and honoured by your warm welcome, our private dinner and our very profound discussions. Once again, you made us feel at home in Slovenia.

Your leadership in assisting your neighbours in fulfilling their own aspirations of European Union membership is exemplary. I am grateful for your continued commitment in this respect.

I thank you for your friendship and your unwavering support to the work of the United Nations.

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



BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency  
Mr. Danilo Türk  
President of the Republic of Slovenia  
Ljubljana



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Excellency,

I would like to sincerely thank you for our inspiring discussions and for hosting a lunch in honour of my wife and me during our official visit to Slovenia on 19 and 20 July 2012. Your beautiful present reminds us with delight of our time in Slovenia.

I welcomed the opportunity to exchange views on issues of mutual interest, in particular regional developments, the implications of the economic crisis in Europe and your personal commitment to intercultural dialogue via the Academy for Cultural Diplomacy.

I thank you for the unwavering commitment of Slovenia to the values and goals of the United Nations.

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

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BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency  
Mr. Janez Janša  
Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia  
Ljubljana



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Excellency,

I would like to express my sincere gratitude for having invited me to address the National Assembly of Slovenia during my official visit to your country on 19 and 20 July 2012, and for our interesting discussions.

I welcomed the opportunity to exchange views on issues of mutual interest, in particular regarding political developments in the region and Syria. As stated during my visit, I highly value the cooperation of the United Nations with Members of Parliament as the direct voice of the people.

I thank you for the unwavering commitment of Slovenia to the values and goals of the United Nations.

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

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His Excellency  
Mr. Gregor Virant  
President of the National Assembly  
of the Republic of Slovenia  
Ljubljana



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Excellency,

I would like to warmly thank you for the impressive efforts and assistance in ensuring that my official visit to Slovenia on 19 and 20 July 2012 was a success. I recognize that this is largely due to your personal dedication and work.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation for the valuable assistance provided by your Deputy, Ms. Simona Leskovar, and other members of your team.

I greatly appreciate our close working relationship and look forward to further strengthening it in areas that are priorities for Slovenia.

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

*Ki Moon Ban*  
BAN Ki-moon

Her Excellency  
Ms. Sanja Štiglic  
Permanent Representative of the Republic  
of Slovenia to the United Nations  
New York





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Dear Ms. Benedetti,

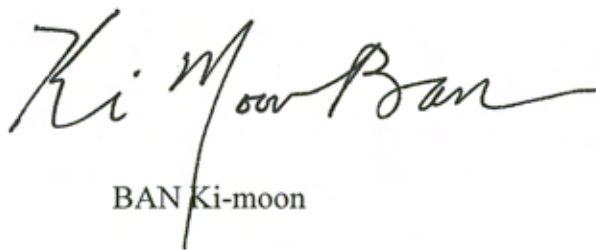
I want to express my deep appreciation to you and your team for all the hard work you put into making my recent visit to Slovenia a successful one.

I know that these trips require a great deal of preparation, energy and exceptional attention to detail. Your efforts contributed to the success of the visit by ensuring that the programme ran smoothly and that all logistical and protocol arrangements were in place.

Please convey my gratitude, and that of my delegation, to everyone who gave so generously of their time.

I wish you and your colleagues continued success in your work.

Yours sincerely,



BAN Ki-moon

Ms. Ksenija Benedetti  
Chief of Protocol of the Republic of Slovenia  
Ljubljana