

Meeting of Heads of Human Rights Components in UN Peace Missions

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Dear Ms. Soumana,

I am writing on behalf of Mr. Yoon.

With reference to the above-mentioned note to Mr. Nambiar (our ref # 11-11685) dated 7 December 2011 from Mr. Simonović, inviting the Secretary-General to attend and open the meeting of Heads of Human Rights Components in UN Peace Missions to be held on Tuesday, 7 February 2012.

The Secretary-General has seen the note and approved the request and will open the session.

Kind regards,

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Note to Mr. Nambiar from
Mr. Ivan Simonović – invitation to
the Secretary-General to attend a
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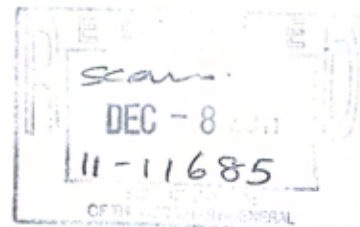
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Note to Mr. Nambiar



1. In consultation with the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, the Department for Political Affairs and the Department of Field Services, the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights is organising in New York on 7-9 February 2012 a meeting of Heads of Human Rights Components in UN Peace Missions.
2. This will bring together all Heads of Human Rights Components to reflect on the challenges and opportunities for advancing human rights through peace operations. It will also serve to bring the Heads of Human Rights Components closer to relevant actors at UN Headquarters so that they have a greater understanding of the global in which they operate and at the same time, relevant NY counterparts will be informed about the work of the human rights components of peace operations.
3. In addressing the challenges and opportunities to advance human rights, it was considered that a dedicated session on reviewing experiences and lessons learned on human rights integration in UN peace operations, more than ten years after the Brahimi Report, would constitute a great opportunity to take stock, and reflect on how the United Nations can better work together to nurture and strengthen integration.
4. In this context, and given the Secretary-General's strong engagement and leadership on the issue of Integration, we would like to invite the Secretary-General, to open this session.
5. We envisage that the High Commissioner will deliver a keynote speech and the Under-Secretaries-General of DPKO, DPA and DFS will offer additional remarks on this topic, to be followed by Q&As with the Heads of the Human Rights Components.
6. This session is planned for Tuesday, 7 February 2012, at 11:00 – 13:00. Should you not be available on this time and date, we will make every effort to accommodate your schedule, within the dates proposed above.
7. While the programme is still being refined, I am attaching for ease of reference a draft of the agenda. A formal invitation from the High Commissioner is forthcoming.
8. I very much hope that the Secretary-General will be able to participate in this important meeting.

Ivan Simonović
7 December 2011

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