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TO: Mr. Vijay Nambiar
A: Chef de Cabinet

DATE: 9 September 2010

REFERENCE:

FROM: Stephen Mathias SM
DE: Assistant Secretary-General
in charge of the Office of Legal Affairs

SAME AS 10-08718

SUBJECT: **Election of a Member of the International Court of Justice**
OBJET:

At today's election to fill the vacancy in the International Court of Justice caused by the resignation, effective 6 September 2010, of Judge Thomas Buergenthal, the General Assembly and the Security Council have elected Ms. Joan E. Donoghue (United States of America) for the remainder of the term of office of Judge Buergenthal. Judge Donoghue will thus serve until 5 February 2015.

Please find attached a letter to Judge Donoghue, and a letter to the President of the International Court of Justice, for the signature of the Secretary-General.

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Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that, on 9 September 2010, the General Assembly and the Security Council elected you as a member of the International Court of Justice, to fill the seat made vacant by the resignation, effective 6 September 2010, of Judge Thomas Buergenthal. You have been elected, effective 9 September 2010, to serve for the remainder of Judge Buergenthal's term of office, which ends on 5 February 2015.

I take advantage of this opportunity to offer my sincere congratulations on your election to this important post.

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

BAN Ki-moon

Her Excellency
Judge Joan E. Donoghue
c/o Mission of the United States of America
to the United Nations
New York

9 September 2010

Excellency,

I have the honour to inform you that on 9 September 2010, the General Assembly and the Security Council elected Ms. Joan E. Donoghue (United States of America) as a Member of the International Court of Justice to fill the seat that became vacant further to the resignation, effective 6 September 2010, of Judge Thomas Buergenthal.

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

BAN Ki-moon

His Excellency
Mr. Hisashi Owada
President of the International Court of Justice
The Hague