

UN Peace Resengers

9 July 2010

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Mr. Zinedine Zidane
UNDP Goodwill Ambassador
Paris



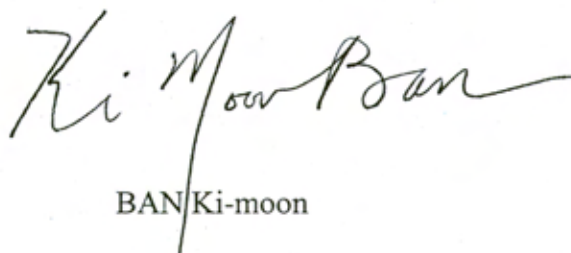
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I look forward to your confirmation of participation in the Madrid meeting, and to continuing our work together in support of the Millennium Development Goals.

Yours sincerely,

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THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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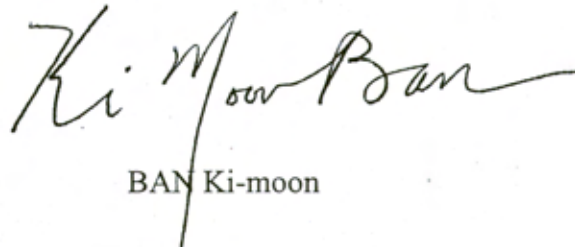
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UNDP Goodwill Ambassador
Madrid

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**FOR YOUR URGENT ATTENTION FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY-GENERAL - LETTERS FROM THE
SECRETARY-GENERAL TO UNDP GOODWILL AMBASSADORS MESSRS.
ANTONIO BANDERAS AND ZINEDINE ZIDANE**

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Dear Colleagues,

Attached are the signed letters from the Secretary-General inviting Messrs. Banderas and Zidane to attend the 16 July meeting of the MDG Advocacy Group in Madrid, for their urgent dispatch (Pragati Pascale informed us that you will be sending the letters by email over the weekend).

Thank you.

With best regards,



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