



THE PRESIDENT
OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

7 January 2008

Dear Dr. Sfeir-Younis,

Further to our meeting of this past November 2007 and, in particular, to our conversation regarding the valuable contributions of spiritual leaders in galvanizing support for the mission of the United Nations among diverse constituencies worldwide, I would like to commend your efforts to pursue the creation of a United Nations Spiritual Forum.

As President of the General Assembly, in calling for a new culture of international relations based on freedom, mutual respect, solidarity and shared responsibility, I encourage all stakeholders to recognize and reflect on the values that are enshrined in the Charter of the United Nations.

In this connection, I am pleased to invite you to participate, as a key-note speaker, at an event that I will host in celebration of the mission of the United Nations, as I am certain that your insights on the power of silence and silent meditation will be of great interest to the guests who will be in attendance.

The event will be held on Friday, 15 February 2008, from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium, at the United Nations New York Headquarters, and will be attended by representatives of Member States, the United Nations system, non-governmental organizations and other invited guests, in personal capacity.

Thanking you for your interest and collaboration, I look forward to your participation in this important event.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Srgjan Kerim', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Srgjan Kerim

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