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1 February 2023

Dear Dr. Luthra,

On behalf of the Secretary-General, I would like to thank you for your letter dated 20 January 2023, inviting him to attend a virtual event, entitled "Promoting and Ensuring Decent Work for All: Need for Better Globalization", which will be held in New York in the margins of the sixty-first session of the United Nations Commission for Social Development on 7 February 2023.

The Secretary-General appreciates your kind invitation. Regrettably, he will be unable to accept, owing to pressing demands and prior commitments already scheduled on that date. Nevertheless, allow me to take this opportunity to convey his best wishes for the success of the event.

Yours sincerely,

E. Courtenay Rattray Chef de Cabinet

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