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Chairman

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H.E. Mr Ban Ki-moon
Secretary-General
United Nations
United Nations Plaza
New York, NY 10017

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am very happy to inform you that in the 32nd plenary session of the IPCC, the major item for discussion and decision making was the review of the IPCC procedures and practices carried out by the InterAcademy Council (IAC). I am happy to inform you that all the delegations present worked extremely hard, often spilling over their efforts late into the night, by which we were able to address the entire review by the IAC and take decisions on them. Several task groups have been set up to deal with various aspects of the review, and a large number of the recommendations have been accepted. We would now implement these on the basis of final decisions to be taken in the next plenary session of the IPCC. The IAC itself had clearly envisaged that while some decisions would be possible in the Busan plenary, others may take longer, but could be taken in hand during the Fifth Assessment period. One important decision taken was in respect of the term of office of the Chair and the Co-Chairs of the Working Groups. The Panel decided to go into the entire governance and management issues covered by the IAC review, but any decision that is taken on the term of office would only apply from the next elections.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for the enormous support and encouragement that you have been providing to me personally and to the IPCC as an organization! We are confident that after implementing the various recommendations of the IAC, the IPCC would emerge much stronger.

Finally, I wanted to convey to you that the hospitality and warmth we received from the authorities of the Republic of Korea during the 32nd plenary session in Busan earlier this month was unprecedented and truly touching.

I shall be following up my discussions with Mr Robert Orr and Mr Janos Pasztor with respect to several organizational issues related to the IPCC in the coming weeks.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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