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Attn: Mr. B. Saparbayev  
Governor of the  
Aktobe Region of the Republic of Kazakhstan

*Honorable*

**Dear Governor Saparbayev,**

With great respect to you and all citizens of Kazakhstan represented by you, I would like to send you wishes of peace and prosperity!

Under the direction of President N. Nazarbayev, Kazakhstan has achieved much success in social and economic development as well as in well-being improvement of people of the sovereign state within a short period of time. Cultural development, kindness & compliance of Kazakhstan citizens, political and economic stability of Kazakhstan all set an example for other countries all over the world.

International initiatives of Kazakhstan in peace building and its stable development plan are in accordance with UN resolutions regarding global challenges and threats of the modern world that pose great danger for the whole civilization.

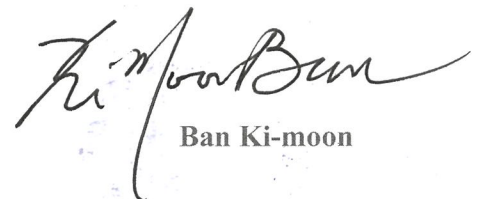
The election of Kazakhstan as a nonpermanent member of the UN Security Council by the majority of states shows deep faith of the international community for peaceful and constructive policies, both domestic and foreign, of your country and your President N. Nazarbayev.

The activities of President N. Nazarbayev's associates and likeminded people in terms of building an independent Kazakhstan, who have held major responsible posts of the state for a long time like you, Governor, deserve much respect. On this occasion, please allow me to personally thank you for your invaluable contribution to the development of strategic cooperation between the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Republic of Korea, by assisting in the development of relations in the fields of education, science and healthcare, which are the key factors in quality improvement of human capital, the basis for sustainable social and economic development of the state.

I deeply appreciate your positive decision to create the Severance-KZ International Medical Fund to form a Regional Medical Cluster in western Kazakhstan. This decision will help broaden international cooperation with the leading medical institute of Korea and Southeast Asia, Yonsei University Severance Hospital, and increase medical assistance for socially disadvantaged citizens, children and disabled people of Kazakhstan.

Governor, although I should attend the presentation event for the Severance-KZ International Medical Fund and discuss issues of international cooperation intensification with you in person, please do understand that I am unable to take part due to prearranged schedule. In closing, I wish to send you maximum support and interest in the development of Severance-KZ International Medical Fund in the future.

With respect and wishes of success,

  
**Ban Ki-moon**

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