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Dear Ms Vukosavljevic,

It is my pleasure to inform you that the United Nations Department of Public Information will organize the first Global Model UN conference, to be held from 5 to 7 August 2009 at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.

The conference seeks to involve up to 1,000 of the best youth delegates (18-24 years old) from university-level Model UN programmes around the world. In addition, we hope that it will serve as an example of best practices for other Model UN conferences. My Department is taking this initiative in recognition of the important role that Model UN conferences play in educating young people about the United Nations and the global issues on its agenda.

We are pleased to extend an invitation to your programme to participate in the Global Model UN because of its dedication to promoting this simulation. At this stage, we can accommodate 200 student delegates from Model UN conferences in Europe, and we invite you to send one (1) student from your programme to the conference next year. It is possible that this number could increase if other invited programmes are not able to send any delegates. Kindly be advised that students will need to raise funds locally or to identify sponsors to cover their travel, accommodation and living expenses related to the conference.

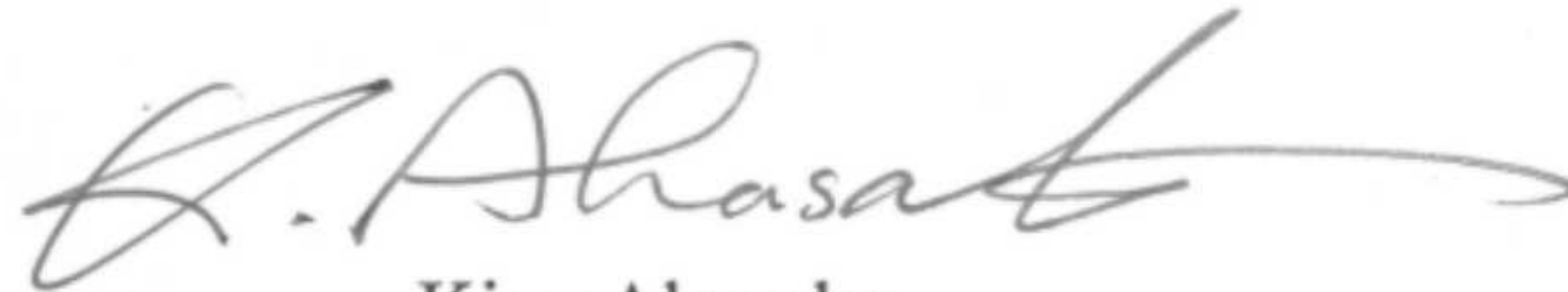
In order to reserve these spaces, please inform us of your intent to participate in this conference no later than 31 October 2008. Should your response be positive, we will assume that your programme is committed to helping the delegates find funds and to assist them in preparing for the conference. Once we hear back from you, we will send you additional guidelines for selecting delegates.

Biljana Vukosavljevic,  
President, BIMUN Organizing Committee and  
Director of the UNA Serbia  
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I am personally very excited about this important UN initiative. The response both from within the United Nations and among our partners has been very enthusiastic. We hope that yours will be too.

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Yours sincerely,



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