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Dear Mr. La Torre,

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I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 11

November 2003 addressed to the Secretary-General regarding the Proyecto Ruta Inka, promoting a culture of peace and the wisdom and philosophies of indigenous peoples.

The Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, the highest body in this area within the United Nations, has been promoting indigenous cultures within its broad mandate, which covers human rights, environment, development, health, education and culture. The 2003 report of the Permanent Forum is attached for your information.

We congratulate you on your initiative In addition, given UNESCO's commitment to the culture of peace, we will transmit a copy to UNESCO.

Wishing you every success in your efforts.

Yours sincerely,

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