11th February 2018.

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Excellencies,

We wish to express our delight and joy at seeing the fraternal cooperation between Koreans from north and south at the Pyeongchang Winter Olympics

We applaud the initiative of Chairman Kim Jong-un in sending a delegation headed by Kim Yong Nam, President of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Assembly of North Korea, accompanied by Kim Yo-jong, and their warm reception by President Moon Jae-in. We welcome the invitation from Chairman Kim to President Moon to a summit meeting and we trust this meeting can take place soon.

It is our sincere hope that the spirit of the 'peace Olympics' is carried through to productive and amicable discussions between north and south and that both sides will move to a rapprochement and eventual peaceful reunification despite the efforts of foreign countries to divide the Korean people.

We realise that a summit meeting will not, in itself, remove the threat to the Korean peninsula from external forces. The summits of 2000 and 2007, as we well know, were prevented by hostile forces from achieving their objectives but we are heartened by the comment President Moon made in Berlin last year that: "We already know the road that leads to a peaceful Korean Peninsula. It is returning to the June 15 Joint Declaration and the Oct. 4 Declaration."

Whilst we wish the Korean athletes every success in the Olympics we recognise that the real prize at stake is peace.

Yours sincerely

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