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Dear Dr. Luthra,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of the **Women's Health and Education Center** inquiry regarding association with the United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI).

I would like to inform you that association with DPI constitutes a commitment on the part of the non-governmental organization (NGO) to disseminate information and raise public awareness about the purposes and activities of the United Nations. Therefore, NGOs are expected to have regular and substantial information programmes, which could accommodate dissemination of information about the UN. Evidence of a public information capability forms the basis for association and is closely monitored during the review process.

In order to begin this association it is necessary to fill out an application for association with the Department. Kindly refer to the attached **Required Application Materials Form** and submit the indicated information by **28 February 2003** at the latest. Please note that if you are unable to send us the required materials within this time frame, we will unfortunately have to terminate your pending application, and you would have to re-apply. We appreciate your understanding in this matter.

Thank you for your interest in the work of the United Nations. We are looking forward to hearing from you again.

Yours sincerely,

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