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Excellency,

On the occasion of the sixtieth session of the General Assembly, it gives me great pleasure to present to you a set of stamps depicting the General Assembly Hall at United Nations Headquarters in New York.

The stamps commemorate the 60th anniversary of the United Nations and were engraved by Czeslaw Slania, one of the world's most famous stamp designers. Mr. Slania passed away earlier this year after a long period of illness. But his legacy endures in the more than 1,000 stamps he created for the United Nations and for many countries in the course of a prolific and award-winning career.

The stamps in this album are just a few examples of the work of the United Nations Postal Administration, which for more than half a century has issued stamps drawing attention to significant global challenges and illustrating the aims and achievements of the United Nations and its family of organizations. As part of this work, UNPA maintains close relations with many national postal administrations. I very much look forward to continuing such cooperation in the years ahead.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Kofi A. Annan

His Excellency
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