

ANTÓNIO GUTERRES

18 November 2016

Dear Ms. Saputelli,

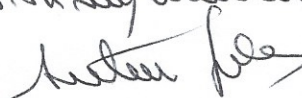
Thank you very much for your kind words of congratulation. I am honoured and touched to be welcomed to my new position by the members of the Federation of Associations of Former International Civil Servants (FAFICS).

Receiving the support of approximately 20,000 former colleagues reminds me of the invaluable contributions they made to building the United Nations that we know today. On behalf of all staff currently serving the United Nations, I would like to thank you and the members of FAFICS who, through their own commitment and courage, paved the way for us all.

I would also like to take this opportunity to commend your Organization's tireless efforts to advocate for and defend the interests of former UN civil servants. I firmly believe that with your support, we can ensure that the well-being of United Nations retirees is protected.

I look forward to receiving more information on FAFICS' annual Council and working with you in the pursuit of our common goals.

Yours sincerely,

with my warmest personal regards


António Guterres

Ms. Linda Saputelli
President
Federation of Association of
Former International Civil Servants
Geneva