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Dear Mr. Rajkumar,

I write as the President of the Federation of Associations of Former International Civil Servants (FAFICS), comprising 60 AFICS associations worldwide to welcome you in your forthcoming function as the Representative of the Secretary-General for the Investments of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund. FAFICS has representative status in the Pension Board in which six FAFICS representatives participate. FAFICS is also represented throughout the year on several key committees such as the Assets and Liabilities Monitoring Committee (ALMC) and the Audit Committee. At the last Pension Board session in July, which was a so-called budget year for the Fund, a FAFICS representative chaired the Board's Budget Working Group. The Budget Working Group also considered the budget proposals by the RSG. I mention this to give you an idea of the scope of our activity and involvement. As UN retirees, we know how fortunate we are to have a defined benefit plan in a world in which such plans are increasingly rare. That is why our paramount concern is the security of our pensions and why we have a common interest with you in optimizing the investment performance of the Fund.

I am located here in New York as is one of the FAFICS Vice-Presidents, Warren Sach, who for your further information held the RSG position before he retired when it was a part time one. Once you have settled in, could you kindly let us know when it would be possible to meet with you during the first half of January to discuss how we can together deepen mutual understanding and ensure a harmonious and mutually beneficial relationship between retirees and the Pension Fund? We have some ideas to share with you about how this could be facilitated.

In closing, let me take the opportunity to wish you every success in your new function.

Yours sincerely,

Linda Saputelli  
President

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Representative Designate of the UN Secretary-General for the Investments of the UNJSPF