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Dear Mr Ram,

On behalf of the Director-General, following a positive evaluation of the cooperation between UNESCO and the South Asia Foundation (SAF), I am pleased to confirm that official relations between our two organizations, established under the *Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with foundations and similar institutions*, have been renewed until 2024.

The term "Foundation in official relations with UNESCO" may continue to be used to describe your foundation's relations with UNESCO, in accordance with the abovementioned Directives.

I should like to express my sincere appreciation with our cooperation, notably in the fields of peace and intercultural dialogue. The Foundation is a strong ally in promoting dialogue among cultures and civilizations, particularly through the UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize, and its support to various UNESCO activities in India, including in responsible journalism, cultural heritage and biosphere preservation, has been crucial over the years.

The Bureau of Strategic Planning (Ms Sabina Colombo, Chief of Unit for Civil Society Partnerships; tel.: +33 1 45 68 17 78; e-mail: ngo@unesco.org) is your focal point regarding these official relations and remains at your disposal to assist and provide you with any additional information you may require in order to further strengthen your collaboration with UNESCO.

Thanking you for your continued action in the service of international cooperation and development, I remain,

Yours sincerely,

Jean-Yves Le Saux
Director