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Dear Mr Chawla,

On behalf of the Director-General, I am pleased to inform you that, following an internal evaluation of the cooperation between UNESCO and the South Asia Foundation (SAF), official relations between our two institutions have been renewed until 2030, in accordance with the *Directives concerning UNESCO's relations with foundations and similar institutions*. You may continue to use the term "Foundation in official relations with UNESCO" to describe your foundation's relations with the Organization.

I take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation for the South Asia Foundation's continued and invaluable commitment to UNESCO's work, notably through its firm support to the UNESCO-Madanjeet Singh Prize for the Promotion of Tolerance and Non-Violence, as well as through regional cooperation, scholarships, and UNESCO Chairs in the SAARC region. I trust the renewal of these official relations will allow us to reinforce our joint action and find new avenues to advance our shared goals.

The Division for Partnerships within 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) will continue as 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 enhance our collaboration.

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

Yours sincerely,



Julien Pellaux
Director
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