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Madam,

We understand that the UN Society of Writers and Rattapallax Magazine would like to hold a poetry reading at the United Nations on 21 March 2002, to celebrate the World Poetry Day, as proclaimed by the 30th session of UNESCO General Conference, in 1999.

The Organization firmly supports the importance of poetry as a vehicle in building a culture of peace and non-violence in the world and sees this as the underlying precept in your programme which will bring together eminent poets from all parts of the world.

UNESCO commends you for your efforts and endorses this programme. We also encourage your efforts to organize readings around the world to take place during the week of 21 March 2002, as you so successfully accomplished last year in the over 200 readings which took place to honour and support The United Nations Year of Dialogue among Civilizations.

Please keep us informed as the programme progresses.

Yours sincerely,

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