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From D.H. to Abdul Monem Rifai, Permanent Mission of the
Hashemite Kingd. of Jordan

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Dear Ambassador and Friend,

I have received your kind letter dated 12 May in which you confirm your Government's decision to transfer you to another assignment from your present post as Permanent Representative to the United Nations.

My regret at seeing you leaving is tempered by my gratitude for a cooperation marked as much by friendly frankness as by solidarity for shared aims. I thank you for your great contribution not only as a delegate of your country but also as a collaborator in the United Nations effort.

I am happy to have had the privilege to work with you through these years and I believe that we can both look back with satisfaction to an improvement in the conditions around your country, for which we have hoped and to which we have jointly tried to contribute.

In leaving, you carry with you my very warmest wishes for success in your new assignment. I wish that it will make our roads cross again. I hope that at all events you will find it possible to remain in personal contact with what happens here.

In closing, I thank you also for your kind words about me and my work. For my part I feel that I have not given anything more than what has been my simple duty or what you have been more than entitled to on the basis of a much appreciated friendship.

Please accept my repeated expressions of gratitude and good wishes as well as my renewed assurances of my high and most friendly consideration.

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