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Residents of Kaurali Village (India) — to Sec. Gen.

A Welcome Address

TO
SECRETARY GENERAL

U. N. O.

Sir,

WE, the residents of the village Kaurali, District Gurgaon, consider ourselves most fortunate to find in our midst yours sir, the world-celebrated personality, Mr. DAG. Hammarskjöld Secretary General of U. N. O., and we beg to accord to you, Sir, a most hearty welcome.

WE are gratified to note that the villages in India hope to flourish through the Community Project, based on the principle of Cooperation. Our village bears living testimony to the efficacy of the Project.

THE Prime Minister of the Indian Union, Shri Jawahar Lal Nehru, deserves hearty congratulations for the efforts he is making to materialise our Bapu's dream of revitalising village life in India so that eighty percent of her people may be able to raise their standard of living. The success of Pt. Nehru is due to his spiritual powers for which the whole of India is indebted, and India also feels obliged to all those nations that are extending every possible aid in making the various projects in our country successful.

IT is, Sir, the plain, unvarnished truth that only in peace times can a backward country progress and co-operate for the common good of mankind and we are proud to declare that U. N. O. is the only single body in the world that has succeeded in bringing about conditions of world peace and that can maintain it permanently. Our Prime Minister's five political principles known as Panch Shila teach mankind to work for real peace and prosperity. We hope and trust that the world will learn to act on these principles so that all men may live in peace and thrive.

WE have every hope Sir, that you will always have a warm corner in your heart for ^{our} village folk in India so that we may too cooperate in making the world a better and loftier place to live in.

WE once again beg to offer you a most cordial welcome and sincerely thank you for the trouble you have taken in coming over here.

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WE ARE SIR,
YOUR HUMBLE BROTHERS,
Residents of Kaurali Village.