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Dear Dr. Pachauri,

It gives me the greatest pleasure to congratulate you on the occasion of the Nobel Peace Prize being awarded to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change. This is a recognition of the IPCCs tireless efforts and your able leadership to build scientific consensus for decision-makers. It also pays tribute to the thousands of experts that have devoted their time and efforts for almost two decades to increase our understanding of climate change.

This year's Peace Prize clearly demonstrates that environment is intrinsically linked to peace, stability and human welfare. From here on, we cannot discuss security issues without taking into account the need to stabilise the global climate. This is a pivotal year for climate change, with the important Bali meeting in December.

It also gives me great pleasure to accept your kind invitation to attend next year's Delhi Sustainable Development Summit (DSDS). These annual meetings have become an important arena for North- South dialogue, which I very much look forward to being a part of.

Looking forward to seeing you at Bali, I remain,

Yours sincerely.

Helen Biørnøy