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Dear Dr. Cheung,

Thank you very much for your letter dated 25 October 2005, referenced above, with the attachment of the "Principles Governing International Statistical Activities". I was away on mission when your letter arrived; I regret any inconveniences for not having been able to send an earlier reply.

I am happy to express my professional commitment, in my capacity as the Director of the division that oversees statistics in the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, the Economic and Social Policy Division (ESPD), toward applying the above principles and practices in the work of ESPD, in accordance with the current UN rules, regulations and practices.

Yours sincerely,

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Director

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