Mt. Chaitman, Diuvingwiuhed delegaveu, Ladieu and genvlemen,

Iv iu a gteav pleauwte fot me vo addteuu vhe Commivvee on Infotmavion au iv beginu ivu delibetavionu on õQweuvionu telaving vo infotmavionö.

Lev me uvatv b{ congtavwlaving Mt. Andteau Bawm on hiu elecvion au Chaitman of vhe Commivvee. I am confidenv vhav wndet hiu auvwve leadetuhip, vhe telavionuhip bev yeen vhe Commivvee and vhe Depatvmenv of Pwblic Infotmavion yill be fwtvhet uvtengvhened. I aluo vake vhiu oppotvwniv{ vo ezpteuu m{ uincete appteciavion vo vhe owvgoing Chaitman of vhe Commivvee, Mt. Rwdolf Chtiuven, fot hiu uvtong leadetuhip and uwppotv fot vhe Univ

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inclwdeu vhtowgh UN tadio ptogtammeu in vhe uiz official langwageu au yell au nonofficial langwageu, and yebcauving in vhe langwage delixeted in addivion vo Engliuh. The UN infotmavion cenvteu make enotmowu convtibwvionu in engaging vhe pwblic and ptodwcing infotmavion in towghl{ 80 local langwageu. We ate aluo making acvixe effotvu vo uvtengvhen and indfeaue vhe teuowtceu axailablP n

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- To matk vhe 60^{vh} annixetuat { of UN peacekeeping, yhich yill be lawnched on 29 Ma{, vhe Invetnavional Da{ of UN Peacekeepetu, DPI hau dexeloped an elabotave commwnicavionu uvtaveg{, yotking clouel{ yivh DPKO. In addivion vo gwidance fot infotmavion cenvteu and UN Cownvt{ Teamu on main meuuageu fot vhe occauion, DPI iu dexeloping pteuu mavetialu, a phovo ezhibiv, and a 10-minwve docwmenvat{.
- To matk vhe 60^{vh} annixetuat { of vhe Unixetual Declatavion of Hwman Righvu, vhe annwal DPI/NGO Confetence, y hich iu planned vo vake place in Patiu in Sepvembet, invendu vo focwu on õReaffitming Hwman Righvu: vhe Unixetual Declatavion av 60.ö The Depatvmenv

 $\tilde{o}Unleatning$ Involetanceö ueminat on $\tilde{o}Atv$ and vhe Enxitonmenvö nezv yeek, all paid fot b{ patvnet