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Dear Dr. Daniel Oscar Posse,

I would like to express my most sincere gratitude for the invitation that you extended to me to visit Tucuman from 30 September to 2 October 2024 and to take part in a number of academic events connected to the launch of the Postgraduate Diploma on Genocide and Crimes Against Humanity at the National University of Tucuman. This postgraduate diploma has been designated as a postgraduate diploma of provincial interest by the Legislative body of the Province of Tucuman, as well as of judicial interest by the Supreme Court of Justice.

I would like to express my sincere thanks as well for the invitation to deliver a lecture, on the topic of 'Mediation and Transitional Justice', at the Judiciary School of the Advisory Council of the Magistracy, on 30 September 2024. As you can assume from my professional experience in the field of mediation, peacebuilding and prevention, including in my current position as United Nations Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide, sharing the lessons I have learned on this topic with students constitutes an honour and a privilege in itself. At the same time, the work that I conduct in my current capacity as Special Adviser on the Prevention of Genocide includes an important component of active advocacy of transitional justice as instrumental to prevention of genocide and crimes against humanity, which are at the core of the postgraduate diploma referred to above. For this reason, it constitutes an immense honour to receive your invitation and to contribute to your efforts to promote deepening the collective understanding of the elements and parameters that define these international crimes, as well as the steps that can be taken to jointly advance in their prevention.

For all the reasons above, it is with great regret that I need to inform you that unfortunately I will not be able to travel to Tucuman on the dates indicated, in spite of my enthusiastic acceptance of your invitation to do so. Reasons beyond my control and connected to my work responsibilities require me to stay in New York during those dates. While I regret this unfortunate situation, including given the close proximity of the planned events, I would like to reiterate my commitment to visit Tucuman in the near future, within the current year, as well as to take part in the academic events you had kindly organized, connected to the launch of the Postgraduate Diploma on Genocide and Crimes Against Humanity. To this effect, I will appreciate your understanding and will work to promptly identify new dates for my visit, in coordination with your team. In this respect, I am deeply grateful to Dr. Hugo Navas, as Academic Coordinator, for his leading efforts to make this visit a reality and reiterate my strong willingness to honour this invitation with my presence.

In our respective areas of responsibility, I know that we both share that education

constitutes a key pillar of human development and a direct contributor to mutual understanding, identification of joint agendas, harmonious and inclusive interactions and ultimately peace in the societies where it is most present. This is significantly true in what relates to education for the prevention of genocide and crimes against humanity. It is for this reason that I reiterate my gratitude for your invitation to deliver a lecture on the topic of 'Mediation and Transitional Justice' at the Judiciary School of the Advisory Council of the Magistracy and for the arrangements that had been made to this effect, including the arrangement of a large venue to promote the participation of as many students as possible. I look forward to delivering this lecture, to the success of the Diploma, to my visit to Tucuman within the current year, as well as to our fruitful cooperation in the months and years to come.

Your sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alice Wairimu Nderitu', with a stylized flourish underneath.

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