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Speaker, Bangladesh Parliament

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Dear Sri Chinmoy,

I am delighted to be in communication with you after so many years. I remember with great joy the programme which you and your Peace Meditation at the United Nations prepared for me at the UN Headquarters in 1986 while I was serving as President of the General Assembly. The Bengali songs that we shared were most inspiring and uplifting.

I am deeply moved by the tireless and loving service for the cause of world peace which you have been offering to humanity. The worldwide run which you initiated in 1987 has involved millions of young people on every continent in the active quest for and support of peace. The Sri Chinmoy Peace-Blossoms is yet another wonderful way in which nations, states, cities, and natural wonders and important man-made structures can serve to inspire humankind to strive for our most treasured common dream of peace. I am, as a citizen of Bangladesh, would be happy and honoured to join with the all others who have been dedicated to world peace as Sri Chinmoy Peace-Blossom-Nations in the international Peace-Blossoms programme.

Born as you were in the small village of East Shakpura, Chittagong in 1931, we are proud to claim you as a true son of our beautiful Country. Now you have become a universal brother of humanity, and for that we are also very proud. Our country's rich flora, verdant land, beautiful rivers with their thousands of sailboats and simple life of our village all foster a great love for Mother Nature and a deep aspiration for peace within our lives and in the world. I am proud to take my place amongst our brothers and sisters, which are part of the ever-growing and ever-inspiring Sri Chinmoy Peace-Blossoms family.

I look forward with great eagerness to our meeting once again next month in New York.

With warmest regards,

Sincerely yours,

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We believe and we hold that each man has the potentiality of reaching the Ultimate Truth. We also believe that man cannot and will not remain imperfect forever. Man who is an instrument of God, whose five senses are each individual's link to the inner distance of God. When man opens to God, his imperfections are turned into perfection, his ignorance into knowledge, his smothering mind into a shining light and his uncertain nature into all-fulfilling certainty.

The Honorable

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Bangladesh



My Highly Esteemed Brother-Friend Humayun,

I wish to express my deepest gratitude to you from the inmost recesses of my heart for your most beautiful and sublime letter to me. You have understood the very essence of our Peace-Blossoms programme, which is to join together as one world-family in the name of peace. I am so happy and honoured to welcome my beloved Bangladesh as a Sri Chinmoy Peace-Blossom-Nation.

For the past few years I have been observing with great joy the inner and outer progress of Bangladesh. Like a most charming, pure and innocent child our nation is leaping ahead in many, many fields. Bangladesh has become the cynosure of attention among the Asian nations and is showing the way to a new era of harmony, peace and oneness. The bitter and tragic struggles of our national history are now far behind us as we advance into the New Millennium.

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We believe and we hold that each man has the potentiality of reaching the Ultimate Truth. We also believe that man cannot and will not remain imperfect forever. Each man is an instrument of God. When the heart stills, each individual soul becomes the higher dimension of God. When man's heart is still, his innermost being is joined with the Infinite. This is the highest knowledge, his own long and arduous journey into the light and his own innermost realization of the Infinite.

The future of our Sonar Bangla is truly golden.

My dearest Brother-Friend, when you honoured us with your presence at our meeting at the United Nations in 1986 while you were in the midst of your highly demanding responsibilities as President of the 41st Session of the General Assembly, you said something most significant:

"It is peace which we are all working for in the United Nations. By peace we not only mean the absence of conflagrations; we also mean peace external and internal -- that is, peace of the environment and peace of the soul."

Throughout your distinguished career, you have ever sought to embody this lofty precept in your life and actions. It is because you value the inner peace that you have been able to bring forward the outer peace in your own life and in the life of our nation. This is, indeed, a most extraordinary achievement.

I am extremely delighted to know that I shall have the opportunity to meet with you here in New York next month when we shall exchange our hearts' aspiration and inspiration.

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We believe and we hold that each man has the potentiality of reaching the Ultimate Truth. We also believe that man cannot and will not remain imperfect forever. Each man is an instrument of God. When the hour strikes each individual soul listens to the inner dictates of God. When man listens to God, his imperfections are turned into perfect ones, his ignorance into knowledge, his searching mind into revealing light and his uncertain reality into all-fulfilling Divinity.

In the meantime, my Brother, please accept my ever-increasing gratitude-heart.

Yours sincerely,

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Messages for Sri Chinmoy's 30th Anniversary at the UN
April, 2000 ~ 30 Years of Peace Meditations at the United Nations

Message from Humayun Rasheed Choudhury
President of the 41st Session of the United Nations
General Assembly

Speaker, Bangladesh Parliament
April 17th, 2000, Dhaka

"I am extremely happy to congratulate you and to recognise with great appreciation the 30 years of dedicated service for the cause of world peace which you have been offering at the United Nations. Your Peace Meditation at the United Nations has filled the UN building twice-weekly for three decades with the peace of your silence and offered much encouragement and hope to countless delegates and leaders there.

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