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Dear Dr Swaminathan:

Your letter of 22 July reached me once I took my new position here at International Planned Parenthood Federation.

I appreciated your gracious words very much. It was most kind of you to take the time to tell me your thoughts on my brief tenure at IUCN. Indeed, when one moves on to new ventures, it is always with pangs of regret; I believe very much in what IUCN is and will be accomplishing.

However, I also feel that it is time that the Population Programme became more technical and field-orientated. The choice of Dr Nelly van den Oeven will see to it that such is the case.

As you know, the UNFPA has funded the proposal to make the IPPF Earthwatch newsletter a joint IUCN-IPPF publication. So, you see, I **won't be far away**. And yes, I do hope that **when** the IUCN Council **invites its** collaborating agencies to attend its meetings, I will be **among the participants**.

Please do let me know when you are coming to London; I would welcome the **opportunity** to see you and to discuss the many things we can do together in **working toward** our common goals.

With very warm regards,

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