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**TO: Mr. Rosen Plevneliev,
President of the Republic of Bulgaria**

Dear Mr. President,

Allow me, in my capacity of a Chair of the **Global Libraries – Bulgaria** Program Board, to thank you for the personal and institutional support that you have been providing to the project and that you explicitly demonstrated at your meeting with the co-chair of the foundation **Bill Gates** in Seattle.

The successful advancement of this outstanding initiative beyond 2013 is to a great extent dependent on the joint and concerted efforts exerted not only by the leading agencies – the Ministry of Culture and the United Nations Development Program – but also by the other partners – the National Association of Municipalities in the Republic of Bulgaria, the Bulgarian Library and Information Association, and the Ministry of Transport, Information Technology and Communications.

I can assure you that the Ministry of Culture, in the person of the National Program Director of Global Libraries – Bulgaria Mr. Daniel Kalchev, will continue its efforts targeted at the program's high objective of transforming public libraries into information, advisory and training community centers attractive for the public.

Please accept my sincere congratulations on the occasion of the great day of our Holy Teachers!

Arch. Georgi Stoev
Deputy Minister
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