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**TO  
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CYBER LAW, CYBER CRIME AND CYBER  
SECURITY**

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**DISTINGUISHED MR. DUGGAL,  
DEAR COLLEAGUE,**

Please accept my sincere and warm gratitude for your kind invitation to address the participants in, organizers of and guests to the *International Conference on Cyber Law, Cyber Crime and Cyber Security – New Delhi 2015!*

I was moved as your cordial letter and invitation from lovely India was packed with warmth and respect for my dear homeland and personally for me in my function of the Vice President of the Republic.

Our two countries have been maintaining longstanding diplomatic relations that were established on 22 December 1954. Yet friendship between our two nations is to be traced far back prior to this date. It is friendship that never ages. We can witness its manifestations in our deep-going cooperation in the field of science, education and culture as per the Agreement on Cultural Relations of 1963; in the field of technology as provided by the special Cooperation Agreement and the related three-year implementing programs. A brilliant example of our joint achievements is the Radiation Dose Monitor (RADOM) that was invented by the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences and mounted on board the Indian lunar orbiter *Chandrayaan-1* in 2008 as the first Indian unmanned mission to the Moon.

Indira Gandhi secondary school in Sofia and Georgi Rakovski School in Delhi are likewise symbols of the deep relations between our nations.

The Saint Kliment Ohridski University of Sofia – its Classical and Modern Philology Faculty runs Hindu Studies for students with a visiting professor from India. To reciprocate, the University of Delhi runs a course in Bulgarian language with a visiting professor from Bulgaria.

Bulgaria and India enjoy cooperation agreements in the field of radio and television, between news agencies, between the unions of journalists, between the ministries of youth and sports, between Krustyo Sarafov National Academy for Theater and Film Arts and the National School of Drama in Delhi.

An Indian-Bulgarian Friendship Society operates in India; the Friends of India Club in Sofia is the publisher of *Svetilnik* magazine to which the Embassy of the Republic of India in Bulgaria kindly contributes.

Indeed India has many friends in Bulgaria who are fascinated by classical and modern Indian prose and poetry, by the miraculous symbolism of your historic and outstanding cultural monuments, by your nation and its powerful spirit and magnetic singularity.

In addition to my admiration for India I would like to express my professional respect to you, Mr. Duggal. Your career abounds in results that are to be attributed to your dedicated work. I congratulate you on your achievements as one of the pioneers and a leading expert in cyber law and intellectual property rights in an electronic medium; on your expert performance in the arbitration of disputes that are within the competence of the World Intellectual Property Organization, as an adviser at the Ministry of Information Technology, India's Government and other institutions on matters of cyber law and cyber crime and also regarding the Indian Information Technology Law of 2000.

I congratulate you on the activities of the organizations that you have established – the Cyber Law Association, Cyber Law – India, Cyber Law – Asia, Cyberlaws.net, Mobilelaw.net, on your books, international presentations and lectures.

I wish you robust health, personal happiness and further career achievements!

I hope in future, as heretofore, we will have fine opportunities to strengthen our cooperation throughout.

**MARGARITA POPOVA**  
**VICE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA**