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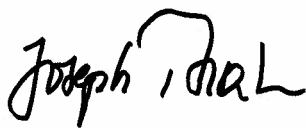
Dear Secretary General, *dear friend,*

It was with immense sadness that I learnt this morning of the tragedy which resulted in the loss of the lives of President Lech Kaczynski, his wife Maria and countless prominent figures from your nation's political, economic and military elite, among them your President and my colleague, Mr Piotr Nurowsi, in this tragic accident in Smolensk.

That he should lose his life while travelling to commemorate the anniversary of the loss of thousands of Polish lives in Katyn heightens this tragedy, yet at the same time it is indicative of his abiding devotion to his country and his compatriots.

On behalf of the worldwide football family, I would like to extend my condolences and deepest sympathy to you and the Polish Olympic Committee, particularly the families and close friends of President Nurowski, and all those who lost their lives, at this harrowing time, and wish you strength and fortitude for the challenging days that lie ahead.

Sincerely yours,



Joseph S. Blatter