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Good evening Juraj,

Tarcisio told me a couple of months ago that you would be retiring this year but I had never realized it was gonna be so 'soon'. Since I will, unfortunately, miss your farewell party, I must say that it was both a great honour and a great pleasure to have worked with you for more than 10 years in ESCWA.

Among your many qualities, there were three that I particularly appreciated: your dedication to the UN, your sterling professionalism and your sense of fairness. These 3 values are also dear to me and watching you in action performing them added value to my own performance.

One last point which I have never had a chance to share with you: I now realize that our informal chats in the car park after a hard day's work were a perfect way to unwind...

I wish you great success in your post-UN life.

All the best,

Frederico