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**MESSAGE ON THE OCCASION OF THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
UN INSTITUTE FOR TRAINING AND RESEARCH (UNITAR)**

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I am delighted to congratulate the United Nations Institute for Training and Research on its 60th anniversary.

UNITAR's work across capacity building, training, and research has equipped hundreds of thousands of women and men from developing countries with knowledge and skills to advance our shared vision of a more peaceful, just, and sustainable world.

Established in the post-colonial era with a focus on diplomatic training in newly independent countries, UNITAR continues to innovate and adapt to changing times and demands.

This includes everything from e-learning and distance training to helping communities confront humanitarian emergencies through the UN Satellite Centre.

UNITAR's work to strengthen multilateral diplomacy, training, and research is more important than ever.

I wish UNITAR continued success and send my best wishes to all staff for your vital contributions.
