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Dear Indai,

It was nice to receive your fax message dated 15th January, 2001. Unfortunately I was out of India when your fax message was received and it was only on my return yesterday that your fax message came into my hands.

I was glad to learn that the Women's International War Crimes Tribunal completed its work successfully on 12th December, 2000. It is a great pity that I could not come and participate in this very important and significant exercise for exposing the war crimes against women committed by Japan's Military during the Second World War. It was an extremely important initiative taken by Women's Organizations and I would have loved to participate in it but for my indifferent health at the time. It was a great opportunity for creating public awareness and protecting and promoting human rights of women which I missed.

But even now, if I can be of any assistance in this task I would be only too happy to associate with it. I would welcome the opportunity to be involved in this historical process and gladly take part in the confirmation of the legal conclusions. Do kindly let me know in good time so that I can be of any service in this regard.

With warm personal regards,

Yours sincerely,

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