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Dear Members and friends,

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An evening with Dr. Zahi Hawass

The British Egyptian Society in collaboration with the publishers, Heritage Key Press Ltd, a new on-line publishing company, is delighted to announce that the World-renowned archaeologist, Dr. Zahi Hawass, currently Secretary General of the Supreme Council of Antiquities in Cairo and Director of Excavations at Giza, Saqqara and the Bahariya Oasis, will be visiting London in December this year to launch a series of his books.

Dr. Hawass's dynamic personality and extensive knowledge has sparked global interest in Ancient Egypt. He has brought the world of the pharaohs into the homes and hearts of people all over the world through his numerous television appearances and books for general audiences. Some of his most popular TV appearances have been *Mysteries of the Pyramids*, live from Cairo with Omar Sharif; *Good Morning America*, live from the Great Sphinx with Joan Lunden; and *The Today Show* with Matt Lauer. He has been featured in a number of National Geographic specials: one on the discovery of the 26th Dynasty tomb of Iufaa at Abusir; a second on the golden mummies of Bahariya; a third, entitled *Great Explorers*, which featured Dr. Hawass as one of seven great world explorers; and a fourth, live from Giza, to investigate the mysterious "doors" inside the Great Pyramid. Dr. Hawass has appeared also in many documentaries with the BBC, Discovery Channel, and The Learning Channel, and was chosen by the BBC for a profile representing Egypt in the New Millennium. Most recently, he conducted President Obama on a personal tour of Giza and the Great Pyramid during his historic visit to Cairo.

On 8th December the British Egyptian Society and Heritage Key will host a reception in honour of Dr. Hawass in the Egyptian Sculpture Gallery in the **British Museum at 6.30**. During the reception, Dr. Hawass will sign copies of his book, "Inside the Egyptian Museum" and will present a copy of "A Secret Voyage" in a specially bound edition to the British Museum; this will be followed by a lecture. We are expecting this event to be heavily oversubscribed, even though the Gallery can hold 600 and the lecture theatres hold 450 between them.

Can you please let me know below if you are interested in attending the reception and also the lecture? Would you be interested in a copy of his book "Inside the Egyptian Museum"? The cover price is £35. ("A Secret Voyage" costs £2,500 in a limited edition.)

Yours sincerely,
Noel Rands, Honorary Secretary

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I /we would like to attend the reception for Dr. Zahi Hawass on 8th December 2009 at 6:30 pm. PM
I /we would like to attend the lecture by Dr. Zahi Hawass on 8th December 2009 after the reception.
I/We would like to purchase a copy of "Inside the Egyptian Museum"

Name(s): _____

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