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Letter from the Founders,

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We are enormously proud of the good work done in 2008, and look forward to continuing to support an international dialogue and debate on the key issues shaping our world today in 2009.

Sincerely,



The Founders



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