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ACTIVITIES OF SECRETARY-GENERAL IN WASHINGTON, D.C., 11 APRIL

United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon travelled to Washington, D.C., on Thursday, 11 April, on a one-day visit, meeting with United States President Barack Obama in the White House.

The Secretary-General and the President had a discussion concerning many issues of mutual concern for the United Nations and the United States Government, including the conflict in Syria, the nuclear weapons programme of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Middle East peace process and climate change.

After their meeting, President Obama and the Secretary-General spoke to reporters.

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The Secretary-General also voiced his appreciation of President Obama's initiative on the Middle East and his recent visit to the region. He pledged to work to fully utilize the momentum generated by President Obama's visit so that the two-State solution can be successfully implemented as soon as possible.

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The Secretary-General returned to New York later in the day.

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