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From: Jamie Lowther-Pinkerton Esq., M.V.O., M.B.E.,
Private Secretary to Prince William and Prince Harry

7th April, 2006

Dear Mr. Saha,

Prince William has asked me to write and thank you for your letter of 4th April, and for your kind invitation to attend The Vivekananda Festival 2006, on Sunday 28th May at the Mahatma Gandhi Hall, W1.

Prince William was very grateful for your invitation and touched that you should have thought of asking him to be the Guest of Honour. Having given careful consideration to the possibilities, however, I very much regret that His Royal Highness reluctantly feels that he has to decline.

While The Prince is training at the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst, he will not be able to predict with any degree of certainty what other engagements his military duties will permit him to take on.

I am sorry to send this disappointing reply, but The Prince's life for the foreseeable future will be tied up with his Army commitments. This will inevitably preclude the acceptance of many such engagements.

Prince William sends all at the Vivekananda Human Centre his best wishes for the Festival, and regrets having to send you this necessarily disappointing reply.

yours Sincerely,

Jamie Lowther-Pinkerton

Mr. Ram Chandra Saha