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Dear Ms McCall,

Your email of 26 October invited the Chief Medical Officer, Sir Liam Donaldson, to the International ME/CFS Conference on 24 May 2010. I am responding on behalf of his office and I am sorry for the delay in doing so.

I regret to inform you that Sir Liam will be unable to attend the conference on 24 May next year due to prior and unavoidable diary commitments. He sends his apologies and his best wishes for the conference.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mike De Silva', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive.

Mike De Silva
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