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OF HEADS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT
OF THE AMERICAS**

Women of the Americas: Agents of Change

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Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton
Office of the First Lady
The White House, Room 100
Old Executive Office Building
Washington, D.C., 20502
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

~~Dear Hillary:~~

Dear Hillary,

I would like to thank you for coming to Ottawa to participate in the Ninth Conference of Spouses of Heads of State and Government of the Americas.

The success of this year's conference and the quality of our discussions were the result of a high level of involvement from the participants, as well as their commitment to building a better world for our children. Moreover, your presence helped to make the event a most rewarding and enjoyable experience, and you may take great pride in knowing that your thoughtful reflections on family and international development issues will help towards the betterment of society.

I trust that your stay in Ottawa was enjoyable and that you were able to participate in some of the other activities organized by the Conference. I would also like to thank you for the lovely gift of the silver pen holder. I was touched by this gesture of friendship.

Please accept my kindest regards.

Sincerely,

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Minister of Foreign Affairs



Ministre des Affaires étrangères

Canada

JUN 16 1997

Mrs Hillary Rodham Clinton
First Lady of the United States of America
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs Clinton:

On behalf of the working groups of the Pan American Games and the Pan American Games International Women's Conference, I am pleased to transmit an invitation to you and the President to attend the Pan American Games and an invitation to you to be the keynote speaker at its International Women's Conference which will be held prior to the Games in Winnipeg, Canada, on July 22, 1999.

It is singularly appropriate to highlight women's accomplishments at the Pan American Games, a hemispheric event which attracts a large international audience from all walks of life. As the Games will be a focus of international attention, I believe that a conference to discuss such themes as business, education and social justice will prove fruitful in raising awareness on women's issues in the Hemisphere.

Your participation at this event would be significant not only as a representative of the United States of America, a key player in the Hemisphere, but also as a woman who plays a pivotal role in the advancement of issues critical for women.

I hope you will be able to attend and address an important audience drawn from all regions of the Americas.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lloyd Axworthy".

Lloyd Axworthy

Enclosures



PAN AMERICAN GAMES SOCIETY (WPG 1999)
LA SOCIEDAD PARA LOS JUEGOS PANAMERICANOS (WPG 1999)
SOCIÉTÉ DES JEUX PANAMÉRICAINS (WPG 1999)

The Games in Winnipeg: July 24 – August 8, 1999

May 10, 1997

First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

On behalf of the working group for the 1999 Pan American Games International Women's Conference, I would like to invite you to participate as a keynote speaker at our one-day symposium in Winnipeg, Canada.

Our conference is planned for Thursday, July 22nd, two days prior to the Opening Ceremonies of the XIIIth Pan American Games in the Manitoba capital. Our goal is to provide an opportunity for women of the Americas to meet and exchange ideas in an atmosphere which celebrates the accomplishments of women. Tentatively titled *Winning Women: Success Knows No Boundaries*, it will be open to 1,999 women, including many from Latin America and the Caribbean.

The idea for our symposium evolved from a conference held biannually in Manitoba in conjunction with International Women's Day, and an ad hoc meeting of the Business and Professional Women's Association of Argentina, held in Mar del Plata in conjunction with the 1995 Pan Am Games. Winnipeg Mayor Susan Thompson spoke at the Argentine meeting, and was greatly inspired by the energy generated by the large gathering.

With the 1999 Games being held here, it seemed an obvious progression to expand on the idea of Manitoba women's conference (which draws between 750 and 800 women in odd calendar years) and hold it in conjunction with the Games.

The program will involve three plenary sessions and between 15 and 20 workshop sessions, as well as an informal lunch and two breaks. The sessions will feature women whose lives and achievements have made a significant international impact in any one of a number of areas, including education, business, social justice and sport.

Holding the conference immediately prior to the Opening Ceremonies will allow the symposium to draw on a large international audience already gathered in Winnipeg and, we believe, substantially add to the excitement of this significant

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hemispheric event. The 1999 Pan American Games will be, after all, the largest multi-sport games ever held in Canada and the third-largest in North America, overshadowed only by the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and the 1984 Los Angeles Summer Games.

We would be greatly honored if you would consider being part of this milestone for Canada. Not only are your achievements well known here, but your consistent concern for the welfare of women is widely admired, and those who heard you speak in China in 1995 still talk about the impact you made.

Thank you for considering this invitation. Your participation would undoubtedly add substantially to a conference we believe will be a major event for women of the Americas.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "M. Barbara Huck." The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Barbara Huck
For the Working Group
1999 International Women's Conference



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May 10, 1997

President William Clinton
and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President and Mrs. Clinton,

From July 24th to August 8th, 1999, forty-two nations of the Americas will gather in Winnipeg for the XIIIth Pan American Games. This will be the largest celebration of sport ever held in Canada and the third-largest in North America, surpassed only by the 1996 Atlanta Olympics and the 1984 Los Angeles Olympics. Our Games in 1999 will also serve as a qualifying event in a number of sports for the 2000 Sydney Olympics.


On behalf of the Pan American Games Society, we take great pleasure in inviting you to attend the 1999 Games and be our guests at the Opening Ceremonies in Winnipeg on July 24th.

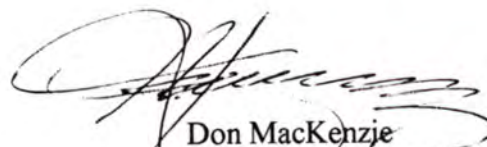
Winnipeg is Manitoba's capital, a city of 675,000. It sits at the forks of two great rivers. For more than 6,000 years, it has been a meeting place. People have gathered here to celebrate and renew friendships, to demonstrate their expertise and enterprise, to chase their dreams through the long days of summer.

At the dawn of a new millenium, the 1999 Pan American Games will provide another opportunity to celebrate the indomitable human spirit. From the farthest reaches of the hemisphere, thousands of young athletes will come to pursue dreams of their own. But this will be more than a sporting event. It will also be an opportunity to showcase the cultures and peoples of the Americas, to emphasize our similarities and better understand our diversities.

We would be greatly honored if you would share this significant event with us. The Host Society looks forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely


Sanford Riley
Chairman


Don MacKenzie
President

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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MRS. CLINTON TO VISIT TORONTO
TO RECEIVE HONORARY DEGREE

Melanne

1. DURING RECENT OFFICIAL VISIT BY CANADIAN PRIME MINISTER JEAN CHRETIEN TO WASHINGTON, MRS. CHRETIEN INVITED MRS. CLINTON TO VISIT CANADA TO ACCEPT AN HONORARY DEGREE AND MARK THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE AMBITIOUS CENTER FOR THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES. WE STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS INVITATION.

2. THE CENTER IS PART OF A LARGER INITIATIVE TO EXPAND INTERNATIONAL STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AND WILL CREATE THE MOST EXTENSIVE STUDY OF THE U.S. PROGRAM AT ANY CANADIAN UNIVERSITY. A TARGETED ENDOWMENT OF C\$9.5 MILLION HAS ALREADY BEEN INITIATED, WITH A FIRST GRANT OF US\$1 MILLION FROM THE GRADUATES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO IN THE UNITED STATES.

3. MRS. CLINTON'S VISIT WOULD ALLOW THE UNIVERSITY TO HIGHLIGHT THE CENTER AND ADD PRESTIGE TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF IT.

4. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE LETTER WHICH WILL BE TRANSMITTED BY CANADIAN AMBASSADOR RAYMOND CHRETIEN TO THE WHITE HOUSE:

MRS. HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON
WHITE HOUSE
1600 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE
WASHINGTON, D.C.
U.S.A. 20500
DEAR MRS. CLINTON:

I AM DELIGHTED TO WRITE ONCE AGAIN TO INVITE YOU TO ACCEPT THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LAWS, HONORIS CAUSA, FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO. I HAVE ENCLOSED A COPY OF OUR EARLIER INVITATION.

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I WAS VERY PLEASED TO LEARN FROM THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE THAT MRS. ALINE CHRETIEN DISCUSSED THIS WITH YOU WHEN THE PRIME MINISTER AND SHE WERE IN WASHINGTON RECENTLY. MR. THOMAS WESTON, THE U.S. CHARGE D'AFFAIRES A.I. TO CANADA, SUGGESTED THAT I WRITE TO YOU DIRECTLY WITH AN INVITATION TO VISIT TORONTO IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

IT IS OUR INTENTION THAT YOUR HONORARY DEGREE WOULD MARK THE OPENING OF THE CENTRE FOR THE STUDY OF THE UNITED STATES OUTSIDE THE U.S.A. THE CENTRE WILL INCLUDE NEW AND EXCITING UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE PROGRAMS THAT WILL EXPAND THE UNIVERSITY'S STUDY OF AMERICAN LITERATURE AND CULTURE, STRENGTHEN OUR CURRENT RELATIONSHIP WITH THE FULBRIGHT PROGRAM, DEVELOP NEW EXCHANGE PROGRAMS FOR STUDENTS AND HOLD EXECUTIVE SEMINARS, CONFERENCES AND PUBLIC LECTURES.

I CAN THINK OF NOTHING MORE SPECTACULAR THAN TO HAVE THE FIRST LADY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA ACCEPT OUR UNIVERSITY'S HIGHEST HONOUR IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR LAUNCH OF THIS EXCITING NEW INITIATIVE.

I HOPE THAT YOU WILL CONSIDER AGAIN THIS INVITATION TO VISIT TORONTO WHEN YOUR SCHEDULE PERMITS YOU TO ACCEPT THIS HONORARY DEGREE. FROM OUR PERSPECTIVE THE FALL OF 1997 WOULD BE AN IDEAL TIME FOR YOUR VISIT. I WOULD BE GRATEFUL IF YOU WOULD BE KIND ENOUGH TO RESPOND AT YOUR CONVENIENCE.

WARM REGARDS,

//SS//

J. ROBERT PRICHARD

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