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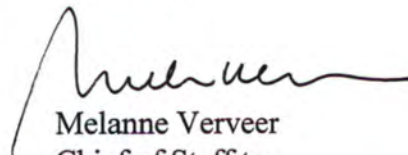
October 22, 1998

Dr. Grazyna S. Pawlak  
Executive Director  
The Jewish Historical Institute Association of Poland  
3/5 Tlomackie Street  
00-090 Warsaw, Poland

Dear Dr. Pawlak:

Thank you for your card and the CD. You were kind to send it to the First Lady. We wish you all the best in your important work. Happy New Year!

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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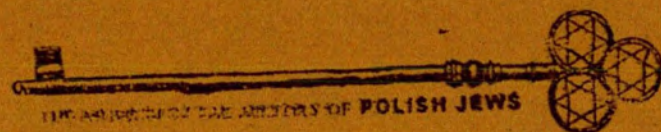
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The best wishes  
in the coming New Year 5759  
Shone Tova!

Very truly yours,  
George S. Poulf

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THE ASSOCIATION OF THE ANCESTORS OF POLISH JEWS



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October 28, 1998

Margarita Papandreou  
1 Romilias Street  
146 71 Kastri  
Athens  
Greece

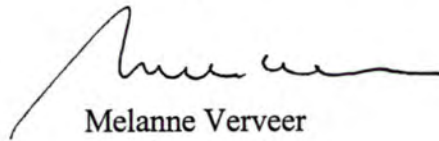
Dear Ms. Papandreou:

Thank you for your invitation for the First Lady to be the keynote speaker for the 50th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights on November 20-22 in Athens.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton's schedule will not allow her to attend the ceremony as she is committed to be in Central America at that time. However, she conveys her appreciation to WINPEACE for its contribution to this important initiative along with her very best wishes for a successful event.

Thank you for your leadership, and all you do.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

# WINPEACE

A Greek-Turkish Women's Peace Initiative

- founded 1996 -

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Margarita Papandreou  
1 Romilias Street  
146 71 Katri  
Athens  
Greece

Madame Hillary Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.  
USA

September 10, 1998

Dear Ms. Clinton,

This is a long shot. Greek and Turkish women have founded a network called WINPEACE, which is working to promote human rights, democracy and justice within our countries and confidence and understanding in the relations between our countries.

We are concerned about the conflict situation existing between Turkey and Greece and believe that women can play a significant role in building a culture of peace in our region.

On November 20-22 we are holding meetings in Athens for discussions. One of these days, preferably the 20<sup>th</sup>, we will have a public meeting to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. Greek and Turkish women will speak.

We need a keynote speaker to mark this anniversary in appropriate fashion. You are, of course, the ideal candidate. Your presence will also give a great boost to our ultimate goal of resolving our problems without violence.

Could you give us the honor?

Sincerely yours,

*Margarita Papandreou*  
Margarita Papandreou  
Coordinator

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October 30, 1998

Ms. Allison Peckham  
Area Representative  
National Tuberous Sclerosis Assoc.  
8181 Professional Place, Suite 110  
Landover, Maryland 20785-2226

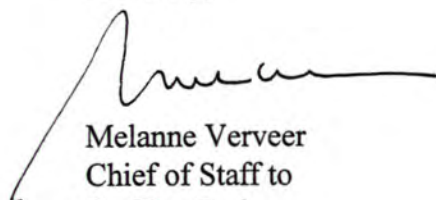
Dear Ms. Peckham:

Thank you for your letter about Tuberous Sclerosis and the NTSA. I have shared your letter with my health policy colleagues and know they will give it their full consideration.

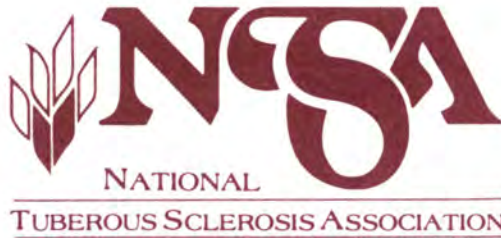
Children's health is a very important issue to Mrs. Clinton and she conveys her appreciation for NTSA's important work. She also extends her best wishes to you and your colleagues. Thank you for your leadership and all you are doing to fight this disease.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady



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October 7, 1998

Ms. Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff for Mrs. Clinton  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW  
Washington DC 20500-0003

Dear Ms. Verveer:

I am writing to you as a result of a recent article on Mrs. Clinton in Newsweek Magazine. I admire her greatly and would like to suggest another very worthwhile cause for her that would fit in nicely with her crusade to help children. I realize that you must get thousands of requests for this and I appreciate the time that you are taking to read this letter.

I am a parent of a child with a disease called Tuberous Sclerosis (TS). Most people have never heard of it but it is, in fact, more common than Cystic Fibrosis. TS causes tumors to be formed in the brains, kidneys, eyes, heart and skin of its victims.

The National Tuberous Sclerosis Association (NTSA) was formed about 25 years ago by three mothers who were frustrated with the lack of centralized information and counseling, not to mention the dearth of knowledge and research to detect and cure Tuberous Sclerosis. They NTSA has been doing a wonderful job of spreading the word about TS so that affected families can get the help that they so desperately need. However, there is much more to be done.

Recently, the genes that cause TS were located by researchers. This was amazing news to those of us who live with the seizures, the multiple drug therapies, the surgeries to remove brain tumors and the other things that become part of our daily lives. If Mrs. Clinton could add this worthwhile foundation to her agenda, it could do wonders for the education of the public and the health of the affected children and their families. My family and I are planning to visit Washington in the spring. If, by some miracle, you or Mrs. Clinton are interested in speaking to me about TS, I would be glad to meet with you.

Should you need further information in the meantime, please feel free to call me at (201) 847-7452. You can also access the NTSA website or call them directly at 1-800-225-NTSA.

Thank you again for your time,

Allison Peckham

Area Representative - NTSA

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December 16, 1998

Judy Patrick  
Executive Director  
The Women's Philharmonic  
44 Page Street, #604D  
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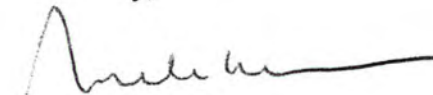
Dear Ms. Patrick:

Thank you for your thoughtful invitation for the First Lady to attend the concert commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the signing of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in San Francisco on Dec. 10.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton's schedule prevented her from attending the concert. She spoke to the human rights issue at an observance at the White House that morning. Mrs. Clinton conveys her appreciation to you and your colleagues for paying tribute to Eleanor Roosevelt and commemorating this very important anniversary.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

December 14, 1998

Judy Patrick  
Executive Director  
The Women's Philharmonic  
44 Page Street, #604D  
San Francisco, CA 94102-5986

Dear Ms. Patrick:

Thank you for your thoughtful invitation for the First Lady to attend the concert commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the signing of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights, in San Francisco on Dec. 10.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton's schedule prevented her from attending the concert. ~~But given the excellent venue and superb program, it was no doubt a huge success.~~ Mrs. Clinton conveys her appreciation to you and your colleagues for paying tribute to Eleanor Roosevelt and commemorating this very important anniversary.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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THE WOMEN'S PHILHARMONIC

## FAX COVER SHEET

Please call 415-437-0123 if you have any trouble receiving this transmission.

DATE: 3 Nov 1998 PAGES INCLUDING THIS COVER: 5TO: Melissa Preston

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FROM: Judy Patricio

MESSAGE: \_\_\_\_\_

44 Page Street, Suite 604D, San Francisco, CA 94102 TEL: 415 437-0123 FAX: 415 437-0121

Please give this to Audrey — she's expecting it.

Thanks

Katy/Melanne —  
I spoke to Judy Patricio  
and suggested I'd  
share this with you —  
that it might be  
something HRC would  
be interested in doing  
if she was on the  
West Coast — Sorry for  
the delay — but I'm

Just catching up w/ my  
mail!

Audrey

Regret —  
HRC in  
LA that  
night

THE WOMEN'S PHILHARMONIC

**Memorandum**

**DATE:** November 3, 1998  
**TO:** Audrey Haynes  
**FROM:** Judy Patrick   
**RE:** Dec. 10th event honoring Eleanor Roosevelt

Thank you so much for your willingness to help us secure either Mrs. Clinton's or Mrs. Gore's involvement in this event.

It was great to talk to you. Give us a call when you're headed for the Bay Area. Cindy would love to see you--as would I. We'd love to repay the Kentucky hospitality.

## THE WOMEN'S PHILHARMONIC



Nov. 2, 1998

Ms. Hillary Rodham Clinton  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I am writing to invite you to participate in a very special event paying tribute to Eleanor Roosevelt's tireless work for human rights and commemorating the 50th Anniversary of the signing of The Universal Declaration of Human Rights. On Dec. 10, 1998 at 8:00 p.m., The Women's Philharmonic in partnership with Amnesty International and The New Music Heritage Foundation will be performing a concert in Herbst Theatre in San Francisco. It is in this hall over 50 years ago that Mrs. Roosevelt gave her speech that began the process of drafting and signing The Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The tribute to Mrs. Roosevelt will feature the world premier of a cello concerto commissioned especially for the event from the renowned composer Chen Yi, who herself was forced into three years of grueling labor during the Chinese Cultural Revolution. She was a student at the conservatory in Beijing in 1968 when she was forced into hard labor by the Communist government to be "re-educated." Each day for three years, Ms. Chen hauled 100-pound bags of mud and rocks up a mountain to build irrigation walls. She survived this experience, returned to conservatory and, eventually, emigrated to America to earn her doctorate from Columbia University. Today, she is widely-commissioned and writes music for both Chinese and Western instruments. Ms. Chen has received numerous awards and honors, including a Guggenheim Fellowship, and NEA Composer's Fellowship and many others.

The Chen Yi commission is part of a series of events worldwide celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It is the largest planned event in the Bay Area. The concert includes a narration that will be read by actress Jean Stapleton, who, as you probably know, has written and produced an award-winning one-woman show chronicling Eleanor Roosevelt's life. Mrs. Roosevelt's grandchildren will be in the audience to honor her.

It is particularly significant that the tribute is being presented in the Bay Area. Herbst Theatre is the home of the United Nations as the site where the UN's charter was signed 51 years ago. The Universal Declaration for Human Rights, though signed in Paris, was printed by the University of California Press at the Berkeley campus.

We are currently in conversations with Yahoo who has voiced strong interest in broadcasting the event over the internet. We are excited about this possibility of bringing even broader recognition to the extraordinary life of Eleanor Roosevelt.

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San Francisco, CA 94102-5986  
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Internet: [www.womensphil.org](http://www.womensphil.org)

Please know that we would be honored to have your participation and would work with you in conceptualizing the role you would like to play in this tribute.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Judy Patrick". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Judy" being more prominent than the last name "Patrick".

Judy Patrick  
Executive Director

## THE WOMEN'S PHILHARMONIC



## PROFILE

The Women's Philharmonic is recognized nationally and locally as the only professional orchestra of its kind, dedicated to the promotion of women composers, conductors and performers. The Women's Philharmonic has a revolutionary goal—to change the face of what is played in every concert hall by incorporating works by women composers into standard orchestral repertoire.

Since our first concert in 1981, we have presented works by more than 150 women composers, including 129 premieres and 35 commissioned works. In recognition of artistic excellence, we received two major national awards in 1993. The American Symphony Orchestra League awarded the orchestra the 1993 John S. Edwards Award—the most prestigious of the ASCAP Awards, given to the one orchestra in the country that demonstrates the "Strongest Commitment to New American Music" during a season. In 1998, we received our 13th ASCAP award in 16 seasons when we won a first place award for programming contemporary music. Our second recording received the 1993 INDIE "Best Classical Recording" Award from the National Association of Independent Record Distributors (NAIRD).

The Women's Philharmonic has been featured in the national media including Time Magazine, USA Today, CBS "Sunday Morning," MS Magazine, National Public Radio's "Fresh Air," "Morning Edition," and "All Things Considered," and a highly favorable review of its East Coast debut at the Kennedy Center in the Washington Post.

The Women's Philharmonic commissions works from today's leading women composers, provides career support to women composers and conductors, reconstructs historical masterworks by women, and promotes these works to orchestras across the country and around the world. In June of 1998, we launched the National Women Conductors Initiative in collaboration with the American Symphony Orchestra League and OPERA America to place the best women conductors as artistic directors and conductors with the nation's leading orchestras.

The Women's Philharmonic has released three recordings of works by women composers to critical acclaim: "The Women's Philharmonic," on the KOCH International Classics label, with works from the 19th and early 20th centuries; "Baroque Treasures," a collection of works from the 18th century; and our most recent CD, on the New Albion label, devoted to the orchestral music of Chen Yi, our Composer in Residence from 1993 to 1996. The Women's Philharmonic is also featured on a KOCH International Classics compilation of orchestral works by women composers entitled *Women of Note*, and on *Uses of Music in Uttermost Parts*, a recording of works collaboratively created by composer Elinor Armer and fantasy writer Ursula Le Guin.

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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February 10, 1998

Mr. Barry Phillips  
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Burleson, TX 76028

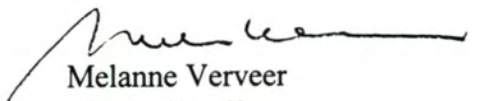
Dear Mr. Phillips:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you very much for your letter and for expressing your interest in serving on the President's Committee for the Arts and the Humanities.

Regrettably, there are no vacancies on the committee at this time. I have forwarded your resume to the appropriate officials for future consideration.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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B A R R Y  
PHILLIPS

Ms. Hillary Rodham-Clinton  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D. C. 20002

January 21, 1998

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

Hello! I am Barry Phillips and am Art Director of the PBS television series "Wishbone," teaching the literary classics to all generations. My letter concerns a nomination that I received about a year ago by Senator Phil Gramm and Governor George Bush to serve on the White House Committee on the Arts and Humanities. This was an appointment about which I was very excited and had wanted in my career for many years. My nomination was handled personally by an aide in Senator Gramm's office, Mr. John Savercool. As I understand, my nomination advanced very quickly and was put on a docket for consideration at the White House level. At this point, it seems that it all stopped with no explanation. I was told at time that there was indeed an opening on the committee.

I understand that you are the honorary chairperson of this committee. In light of this, could you help me in this appointment? Even though all my nominations came from a Republican source because of their high visibility, I supported Mr. Clinton in both elections. Hopefully, this is not the problem of my appointment.

Enclosed are the original letters of my nomination as well as a my resume. I truly would be honored to serve on this committee and would do my best to represent all people who love the arts.

Most Sincerely,

*Barry Phillips*  
Barry M. Phillips

128 North Clark  
Burleson, Texas 76028

PHIL GRAMM  
TEXAS

## United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20510-4302

October 25, 1996

Ms. Cleta Alger  
20 Bounty Road West  
Fort Worth, Texas 76132

Dear Ms. Alger:

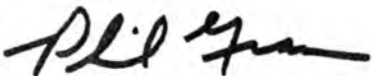
Thank you for your recent letter in support of Barry Phillips for an appointment to the President's Committee on the Arts and the Humanities. I appreciate your bringing Mr. Phillips' credentials to my attention.

I have contacted officials at both the White House and the National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities on Mr. Phillips' behalf to make them aware of his credentials. The White House has told me that there are no current vacancies on the committee at this time, but vacancies are anticipated in the near future. There are often new selections made to the dozens of federal boards and commissions at the beginning of a new year.

I will monitor this situation through the White House and when I receive additional information about future vacancies to the committee and criteria on how new members will be selected, I will contact you again.

I appreciate having the opportunity to represent you in the United States Senate. Thank you for taking the time to contact me.

Yours respectfully,



PHIL GRAMM  
United States Senator

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STATE OF TEXAS  
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

GEORGE W. BUSH  
GOVERNOR

November 12, 1996

Mr. Barry Phillips  
128 North Clark Street  
Burleson, Texas 76028

Dear Barry:

Thank you for your letter regarding your desire to serve on the President's Advisory Committee on the Arts. I will be glad to submit a letter to the White House. I am not sure it will do you any good.

I appreciate your continued work on "Wishbone."

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "GWB", written over the printed name "George W. Bush".

George W. Bush

# B A R R Y PHILLIPS

## BIOGRAPHICAL RESUME

- \*ART DIRECTOR, PBS television series, "*Wishbone*", 50 episodes, 2- time winner of the National Television Critics Choice Award for artistic programming; 1996 Emmy Award.
  - \*U. S. Accreditation Council for Independent Colleges and Schools (ACICS), Washington, D.C.
  - \*1998 Board of Advisors in Film and Television, Academy of Art College, San Francisco.
  - \*ART DIRECTOR, motion picture "*Talk Radio*," directed by Oliver Stone.
  - \*ART DIRECTOR/DESIGNER, CBS and NBC Movies of the Week.
  - \*ARTIST/ ILLUSTRATOR, ABC After School Special.
  - \*Juror, 1997 New York Festival International Broadcast Competition, New York City.
  - \*Film and design work has showcased such personalities as Alec Baldwin, Cloris Leachman, Valerie Bertinelli, Lindsay Wagner, Mel Brooks, Gore Vidal, Chris Evert and others.
  - \*TV INTERVIEW HOST-"The Barnes Collection: Ft. Worth Welcomes the World" television special.
  - \*TV INTERVIEW HOST-"Conversations with Cyd Charisse" television special.
  - \*PRODUCER, HOST- "This is Texas" network television pilot.
  - \*ILLUSTRATOR/DESIGNER: *Reader's Digest*, Dr. Pepper, *Los Angeles Magazine*, Continental Airlines, J.C. Penney, Pepsi-Cola, AT&T/Bell Telephone, Bantam Books, New York Book-of -the- Month Club, *New West Magazine*, Phillips 66, Magnavox, Coca-Cola.
  - \*Awards from the Society of Illustrators in New York and Los Angeles.
  - \*Past Producer of the USA Film Festival.
  - \*Guest professorship appointments: Southern Methodist University, Texas Christian University.
  - \*Magna Cum Laude graduate from TCU, BFA.
  - \*Master's degree, Texas A&M University/Commerce, high honors, MS.
- (Resume validations available upon request.)

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*Pls regret  
Chile Huffman's  
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see if we  
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sent a letter*

**TO: Ted Piccone**

**DATE: March 9, 1998**

**FAX #: 6-9130**

**TOTAL PAGES: 6 pages**

**FROM: Julie Huffman**

**RE: NSC Recommendation**

**COMMENTS:**

**Ted --**

**It's Argentina request day ..... My assumption is that The First Lady would decline this request due to the fact that she traveled there last year and the amount of foreign travel already on her schedule. However, it would be good to have the NSC recommendation.**

**Thanks, again.**

② Diane -

*NSC recommends sending pending letter for now, then reviewing this invite when the dates for the First Ladies of the Hemisphere summit dates have been set. The summit is in Chile and, though, HRC went to Argentina in '97 she may want to consider this.*

*Julie  
3-12-98*

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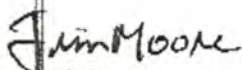
**To:** Patty Solis Doyle **Date:** March 9, 1998  
**Fax #:** (202) 456-5340 **Pages:** 5, including this cover sheet.  
**From:** Jim Moore  
**Subject:** Invitation for Mrs. Clinton

Attached please find a letter of invitation to Mrs. Clinton to speak at the annual conference of the Institute for Business Development of Argentina (IDEA), which will take place September 23-25, 1998 in Mar del Plata, Argentina, and a letter from Mr. V. Manuel Rocha, Charge d'Affaires of the U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires, endorsing this request.

I have sent the original of IDEA's letter and background information on the organization to you today by express mail.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require additional information. Please fax us a copy of the First Lady's response to this invitation.

Many thanks —



Jim Moore  
Cultural Affairs Officer  
U.S. Embassy Buenos Aires



February 13, 1998

Mrs. Hillary Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

It is a pleasure to ask you to be a special guest speaker either at the opening session on Wednesday, September 23, 1998 or at the closing session on Friday, September 25, 1998 of the 34th IDEA Annual Conference to be held at the Sheraton Hotel in the City of Mar del Plata, Argentina.

IDEA, The Institute for Argentine Business Development, represents one of the most important non-profit associations in Argentina. IDEA's board of directors includes presidents or directors of Argentine and international corporations or groups of companies such as Avon, Brown & Williamson, Exxon, Citibank N.A., Ford, Hewlett Packard Argentina S.A., ICI Argentina, IBM, Fiat, Philip Morris Co., Shell, YPF (Argentine Oil Company) and Xerox.

IDEA closes its yearly cycle of activities with a three-day Conference at which relevant business issues are discussed. This Conference is an excellent opportunity for an exchange of ideas and experiences among leading businessmen in the region, public officials, trade union leaders, specialists, politicians, congress men, intellectuals, etc.

This year the main issue to be discussed shall be "Development and social issues in Argentina and the region". Basic consensus required among various sectors of society to achieve them and continue advancing towards a major transformation that started with the return of democracy to Argentina in 1983.

We would like to give special emphasis in the agenda to education and Social issues in general. Your contribution would certainly be very valuable as the USA has already implemented several successful and important programs in these fields.

Invitations to well known personalities in business, academic and government circles have already been sent out. Likewise, we have also invited Presidents of Latin American countries who have always been with us during the opening and closing dinners.

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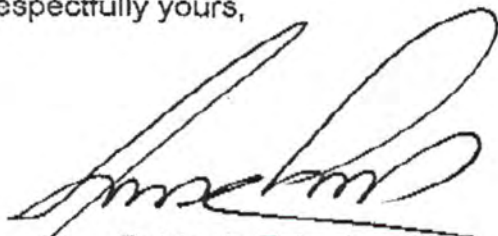
**idea**

Mr. Carlos Saúl Menem, President of Argentina, has already promised to be with us at the closing dinner that will be held on Friday, September 25. Conference findings reached by participating businessmen will be handed to all participants out during this closing dinner.

It will certainly be a great honor and distinction for Argentina to have your valuable cooperation. Please rest assured that we will do everything to make your participation possible in this event.

We look forward to hearing from you and remain,

Respectfully yours,



Pablo de Estrada  
Chairman- 34th Conference Committee



Carlos Leone  
Chairman- IDEA

*Embassy of the United States of America*

March 6, 1998  
Buenos Aires, Argentina

Ms. Patty Solis Doyle  
Director of Scheduling  
Office of the First Lady  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Ms. Doyle:

The U.S. Embassy in Buenos Aires has received the attached letter from the Institute for Business Development of Argentina (Instituto para el Desarrollo Empresarial de la Argentina, or IDEA) inviting Mrs. Clinton to participate in their 34th annual conference, which will take place from September 23-25, 1998 in the city of Mar del Plata.

Founded in 1960, IDEA is one of the most prestigious centers of business training and research in Argentina. Its seminars and courses on international economic trends, business ethics, and a wide range of other subjects attract today's top business and political figures, as well as the country's next generation of leaders. IDEA wields considerable influence in Argentine policy making circles, and its annual conference is attended by key government officials and Argentine and international business leaders. Former Spanish President Felipe Gonzalez and Argentina's President Carlos Menem, Minister of the Economy Roque Fernandez, and Minister of Foreign Affairs Guido Di Tella were among the participants in IDEA's 1997 annual conference, which was held in San Carlos de Bariloche.

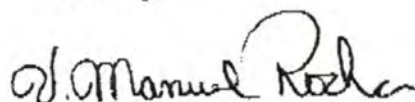
The topic of this year's conference is "Development and Social Issues in Argentina and the Region." President and Mrs. Clinton's October 1997 visit to Argentina had a tremendously positive impact on U.S.-Argentine relations. Mrs. Clinton's speech at the Colon Theatre left a deep and lasting positive impression on the Argentine people and generated a great deal of good will toward the United States. The First Lady is respected and admired by Argentines for her forward-looking views on education, social issues, and small business development.

The Embassy strongly endorses IDEA's request that Mrs. Clinton participate in the opening or closing of their September 23-25 1998 conference and recommends that she accept this invitation if her schedule permits. We will follow up this letter with a cable to that effect.

We have sent you by express mail the original copy of this letter and background materials on IDEA. If you would like additional information on IDEA or the conference, please do not hesitate to contact me or James Moore, the Embassy's Cultural Affairs Officer, who can be reached on (54-1) 777-9522.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

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V. Manuel Rocha  
Charge d'Affaires, a.i.

2 PIANOS 4 HANDS



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**2 Pianos 4 Hands** depicts what it's like to almost make it in the world of concert piano. The play's creators, Ted Dykstra and Richard Greenblatt, both practiced and played their way toward a dream of becoming concert pianists. After they quit, due to frustration and disappointment, they came up with the idea for **2 Pianos 4 Hands**. During the show the men reminisce and recreate their maniacal music teachers, pushy parents and cantankerous competition judges. Between the laughs, there are powerful piano performances of hits ranging from J.S. Bach to Billy Joel.

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April 13, 1998

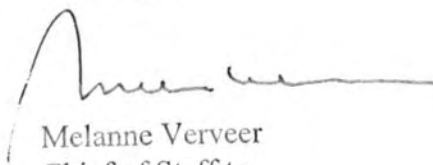
Mr. Herbert Pardes, M.D.  
Vice President for Health Sciences  
Dean of the Faculty  
Columbia University  
630 West 168th Street  
Room 2-401  
Mail Box #27  
New York, NY 10032

Dear Mr. Pardes:

Thank you very much for your letter and invitation to the First Lady to speak at "The Spock Revolution: How One Pediatrician Changed the World" at Columbia University on May 14.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton is unable to attend because she will be out of the country at the time. She sends her best wishes for a successful symposium.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
to the First Lady

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY  
HEALTH SCIENCES DIVISION

OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR HEALTH SCIENCES  
AND DEAN OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE

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March 24, 1998

Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff  
First Lady, Hillary Clinton  
White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. Verveer:

Maureen Cogan, Vice Chairman of The Children's Defence Fund, previously sent a letter and talked with Susan Thomases about a forum at Columbia University in honor of Dr. Benjamin Spock on the occasion of his 95th birthday. As you know, he passed away this past weekend, making a celebration of his life and accomplishments even more appropriate and important.

On May 14, the College of Physicians & Surgeons at Columbia University will host "The Spock Revolution: How One Pediatrician Changed the World" in memory of one of our most illustrious alumni. The scheduled panel members, an illustrious group of children's advocates, specialists and clinicians, include author Dr. T. Berry Brazelton, host of "What Every Baby Knows," Jane Brody, New York Times columnist, Dr. Margaret Hamburg, U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, Dr. Margaret Heagarty, director of Pediatrics, Harlem Hospital Center, Tom Maier, author of "Dr. Spock: An American Life," Dr. Martin Stein, collaborator on the 1998 edition of "Baby and Child Care," and Dr. Ruth Westheimer, psychologist and television personality.

We would be honored if the First Lady will consider participating in this discussion as well. As one of the most respected and tireless advocates for children, it is especially appropriate for Mrs. Clinton to be involved in this tribute. We would be delighted to have Mrs. Clinton speak on any topic she wishes, including an announcement of health insurance for the children of the working poor.

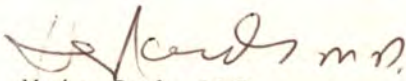
The name of Dr. Spock is a veritable catchword to parents from all walks of life who raised their children according to the nurturing and caring precepts outlined in his classic work, "Baby and Child Care." Parental bible of the Baby Boom Generation, the book has sold more than 40 million copies since its first publication in 1947 and is still prized and consulted by legions of parents in the U.S. and around the world.

The Spock Forum will indeed be a fitting honor to this great man, who singlehandedly returned the ultimate authority in child rearing from the doctor to the parents, where it rightfully belongs. We cannot imagine a more appropriate person that Mrs. Clinton to participate in this tribute --her commitment to, and focus on, children makes her an especially important person to have at this event.

The forum will be held on Thursday, May 14 from 3:30 to 5:00 p.m. at Columbia University. A reception and private dinner will follow.

It would be wonderful if Mrs. Clinton could attend.

Sincerely,

  
Herbert Pardes, M.D.

c: Maureen Cogan  
Susan Thomases

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June 19, 1998

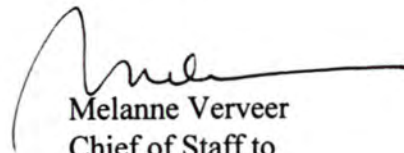
Ms. Jan Piercy  
The World Bank  
1818 H St., NW  
Washington, DC 20433

Dear Jan:

Attached is the resume of Vinca LaFleur who has been a White House speechwriter on foreign policy issues. She is brilliant, exceptionally talented and a committed public servant.

She is planning to leave her White House post to pursue new challenges. The Bank might find her to be a wonderful asset.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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June 22, 1998

Ms. Carol Peasley  
Sr. Deputy Assistant to the Africa Bureau  
USAID  
1300 Pennsylvania, NW  
Washington, DC 20523

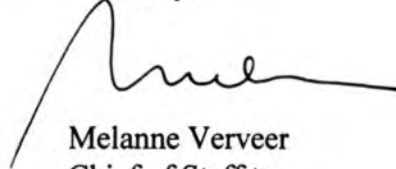
Dear Ms. Peasley:

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Best wishes in all you do.

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
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June 22, 1998

Ms. Carol Peasley  
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Washington, DC 20547

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ADDRESS.

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Sincerely,



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August 28, 1998

Jan Piercy,  
US Executive Director  
The World Bank  
1818 H Street, NW Room MC 13-525  
Washington, DC 20433

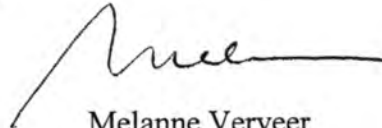
Dear Jan:

Thanks for your inquiry about whether the First Lady might be able to address the World Bank Private Sector Development Forum, here in Washington, September 16-18.

Regrettably, Mrs. Clinton's prior commitments during that week make it impossible for her to accept the invitation. But please convey her appreciation and best wishes to your colleagues.

Hope all is well with you.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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**THE WORLD BANK  
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**DATE: July 31, 1998****NUMBER OF PAGES INCLUDING COVER SHEET: 2**

**TO: Ms. Melanne Vervcer  
Assistant to the President and Chief  
of Staff to the First Lady**

**FAX NUMBER: 456-6244****cc: Ms. Pam Cicetti**

**FROM: Jan Piercy, U.S. Executive Director  
TEL: (202) 458-0110  
FAX: (202) 477-2967**

**RE: Private Sector Development Forum – Request to ask Mrs. Clinton as the Keynote Speaker**

**COMMENTS:****Melanne:**

I attach an inquiry on whether the First Lady would be interested in addressing the World Bank Private Sector Development Forum meeting in D.C. 9/16-18. Although this is a little different from her usual focus, I believe it could be a good venue for her, providing an opportunity to reflect on the social responsibility of business, which is key given how large a driver the private sector is becoming in parts of the developing world.

We would be glad to provide talking points and data for such a talk. I have a number of ideas.

Please advise whether I should encourage the Bank to extend the invitation or not.

**Jan**

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Forwarded by Jan Piercy/Person/World Bank EDs on 07/30/98 02:15 PM

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Nadereh Chamliou  
07/30/98 06:16 AM

Extn: 80473

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To: Jan Piercy

Subject: Private Sector Development Forum -- Request to ask Mrs. Clinton as the Keynote Speaker

Dear Mrs. Piercy:

I am the organizer of the upcoming Private Sector Development Forum which is scheduled for September 16-18. The first session of the Forum will take place in the MC-building and we expect Mr. Wolfensohn to open. The purpose of this email is to explore whether we could ask Mrs. Clinton to be the key-note speaker.

The goal of the Forum, like other sector weeks, is to explore the role of the Bank in the sector, and energize and unite staff and other stakeholders behind the Bank mission and sector agenda. This year, the core themes of the PSD Forum will be around development of markets, second generation of reforms in infrastructure, role of PSD in addressing poverty, and the social responsibilities of the private sector.

Mrs. Clinton has traveled either alone or with the President to China, Central Europe, South Asia, and particularly Africa, during which she was accompanied by many businessmen and met with a diverse group of people in the respective countries. She may have interesting perspectives on public private partnerships, the role that the private sector in poverty alleviation, social responsibilities of the private sector, or community development in the countries that she has visited which comprise some of the key clients of the Bank. Unlike many other key note speakers we considered, whose views are well publicized, we felt that Mrs. Clinton's views would not only be valuable and thoughtful but also new.

I would appreciate your views on whether you feel this would be of interest to Mrs. Clinton and, if so, how I should go about the next step. I checked earlier with your staff who informed me that Mrs. Clinton will be in DC during that week. The exact time of the event would be on September 16th, from 9-11 am in the H or Preston Auditorium and Messrs. Wolfensohn and Magdi Iskander would be the hosts.

I very much regret the shortness of time between now and the Forum but would very much appreciate your guidance on this matter.

Sincerely,

Nadereh Chamliou

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February 25, 1998

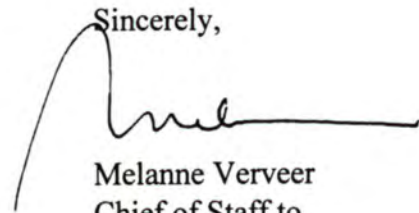
Mr. Alejandro J. Palacios  
UNICEF  
3 United Nations Plaza  
New York, NY 10017

Dear Alejandro:

Thank you very much for your thoughtful letter. It was nice to hear from you and I will look forward to receiving the materials on Africa. They will be useful as we finalize plans for the trip.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady



United Nations Children's Fund  
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3 United Nations Plaza  
New York, New York 10017  
212-326-7000  
Telex: 175989

24 February 1998  
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Dear Melanne:

I know that the First Lady and you have received thanks from others here at UNICEF and the U.S. Committee for UNICEF for her outstanding appearance at the U.S. Committee's 50th Anniversary Gala on January 26th. I continue to receive numerous positive comments from people who attended the program, including our corporate donors. As a member of the UNICEF family and former member of the Administration (now perhaps an "adjunct" member?) I simply want to add my own belated thanks and deep appreciation for the First Lady's spirited leadership on children's issues, UNICEF being but a part of her very full agenda. It was heartening as well while I was serving at USAID in 1995-96 to have her support during our most difficult days with the new Congress. It is very nice to continue to follow your strong lead and on occasion still to be able to work closely together on behalf of children.

We at UNICEF are delighted that the President will be travelling to Africa next month, joined by the First Lady. Carol has asked me to convey to you our desire to be helpful in any way possible. As we have done in the past when Mrs. Clinton has travelled to developing countries, we would be delighted to share with you summaries of UNICEF's work in Ghana, Botswana, South Africa, Uganda and Senegal. I have asked our offices in these countries to include updates on our relationship with USAID and to recommend accessible project sites that you may wish to include in your visit. I hope to be able to begin providing some of this information to you by March 2.

Please let us know if we can be helpful in any other way.

Warmest regards,

Sincerely,

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Alejandro J. Palacios

Ms. Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff  
Office of the First Lady  
Old Executive Office Building  
Washington, D.C.

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February 23, 1998

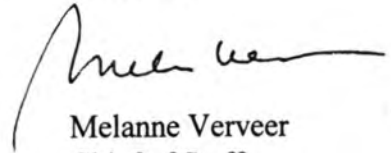
Mr. Prakash Puram  
6627 Limerick Drive  
Edina, MN 55439-1260

Dear Mr. Puram:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you very much for your thoughtful comments about her remarks in Davos. It was thrilling to read about all your accomplishments. You have reason to feel justifiably proud. We wish you continued success in all you do.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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*Prakash Puram*  
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612-829-4051 ppuram@aol.com

February 9, 1998

**Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton  
C/O Ms. Melanne Verveer  
Old Executive Office Building, Room 100  
Washington, DC 20500**

**Dear Mrs. Clinton,**

I am writing to express my profound amazement at the quality of your speech in Davos, Switzerland. I was invited to attend the World Economic Forum by Dean Joe Nye and Herr Klaus Schwab as a Kennedy School Alumni. I have also been a friend of Secretary Reich. Bob has been a big influence on my thinking and in my life and was central to my decision to go to the Kennedy School.

Of all the speeches at Davos, your performance was exemplary. This takes on an added importance when seen in the context of two things -- your personal family circumstances with the allegations against the President, and the fact that you were talking to the world's elite -- top leaders and CEO's. Your speech was extraordinarily powerful; your delivery was unrivalled! You must very seriously think about running for the Presidency. It would be a level of leadership that this country has not seen in decades. I am applying for the White House Fellowship for the third time. Brooke Shearer has been a great friend in this process. I was not successful in becoming a finalist in my previous attempts. If I am successful during this final attempt to become a Fellow, I would greatly desire to work in your office on a public policy issue of national or international significance. I am convinced of benefitting from your own exemplary leadership. I have worked at Unilever in India; Pillsbury, IBM, and Honeywell in the U.S. I was recently downsized from a senior position at Honeywell, received an offer from Microsoft, but decided to stay in Minneapolis and look for another job. I did carry the Olympic torch through the Twin Cities for my work with Mother Teresa when I was in India. I applaud your interest in helping women and children around the world and upholding the example of the Grameen Bank in Bangladesh.

A couple of years back, I was referred to Maggie Williams to help provide some input to your trip to India which I did with a great amount of delight. It feels wonderful to come from a poor strata of India, become an American citizen, graduate from Harvard, carry the Olympic torch, and attend the World Economic Forum at Davos. This is still a great land of opportunity as long as we all do our part, and people lend a helping hand to each other. I wish you and the President the very best and perhaps our paths will cross again, not in Switzerland, but right here in the United States! Thank you.

**Sincerely,**



THE WHITE HOUSE  
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February 5, 1998

Professor Jeremy Paul  
School of Law  
The University of Connecticut  
65 Elizabeth Street  
Hartford, CT 06105-2290

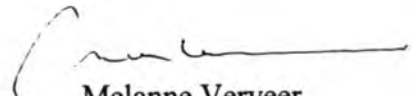
Dear Professor Paul:

Thank you for your letter and for your recommendation that Christopher Stratton serve in the Administration.

I have forwarded your letter to Bob Nash, Director of Presidential Personnel. I am certain Christopher will be given full consideration.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
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January 27, 1998

Ms. Melanne Verveer  
Assistant to the President  
Chief of Staff to the First Lady  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer:

I write to enthusiastically recommend Christopher Stratton to serve in the White House or elsewhere in the Administration.

I first encountered Mr. Stratton in the Spring of 1995 when he was one of 70 students in my Property class. He stood out almost immediately as a bright, enthusiastic participant. Two things about his repeated class comments were of particular note. First, he had a wonderful intuitive feel for the themes of the course and the direction I was trying to take the class. Second, he worked intellectually harder than anyone in the class to translate those themes into his own working vocabulary so that he could use and expand upon them. For these reasons, I invited him to serve as my research assistant.

He filled that role for over a year, performing in a beyond exemplary fashion. From the very first week, when solely at his initiative he delivered research materials to my home doorstep, he satisfied every research request I made in a timely and thorough manner. Moreover, in contrast to other research assistants I have had over the years, Mr. Stratton made an effort to seek out work, stopping by merely to discover if he could be helpful. His initiative alone dramatically improved the caliber of our working relationship.

As for the quality of Mr. Stratton's work, his superb computer skills enabled him to track down in hours, materials I thought it would take weeks to find. He quickly grasped what I was looking for, and we almost never had to go through a second search. Most important, from my point of view, my confidence in his research abilities led me to take on a project involving political rhetoric that was well beyond my field. Thanks to Mr. Stratton's stellar support, I was able to publish an article in the Washington Monthly that garnered attention from President Clinton.



Finally, let me add some important words about Chris as a person. Over the last couple of years we have become friends as well as professional associates. I find Chris to be a lively and enjoyable companion. He has a quick mind and inexhaustible intellectual curiosity. And he is a man of integrity who reliably performs the tasks he takes on.

Chris's fortitude has been sorely tested over the last year and a half. Chris's 49 year old mother died suddenly and unexpectedly while Chris was a student at Connecticut. At great cost to himself, he arranged to study at the University of Arkansas Law School in Little Rock so that he could be near his younger siblings who needed support during a difficult time. Only when his stepfather decided to move the young children out to California did Chris return to Connecticut.

Chris and I spoke often about the appropriate level of responsibility he should shoulder and how to square that with his own plans for the future. It was a pleasure to watch him reach sound decisions after grappling with the complicated issues involved. And his ability to continue and succeed in his law school work during this period is a testimony to a strength of character that would make him an asset on any team of legal professionals. In short, for all these reasons, I believe you would profit from having Chris Stratton as a member of your team.

Please call (617-552-0705 - at Boston College where I am this semester) if I can answer any questions concerning Mr. Stratton's experiences at the University of Connecticut School of Law.

Sincerely yours,

  
Jeremy Paul  
Professor of Law

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January 12, 1998

Ms. Mary Purcell  
Co-Chair Working Groups on Girls  
c/o NGO Committee on UNICEF  
3 UN Plaza, TA-24A  
New York, NY 10017

Dear Ms. Purcell:

Thank you very much for your letter and for inviting the First Lady to write the introduction to the Working Groups on Girls' Monitoring Report.

We are unable to make a commitment of this nature without prior review of the report. We look forward to receiving a copy.

Thanks and best wishes in your important work.

Sincerely,

Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady

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we just  
everything  
for her.  
Hanna



## INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FOR GIRLS

c/o NGO Committee on UNICEF, TA-24A, 3 UN Plaza, New York, NY 10017

Tel 212.824.6394 Fax 212.824.6466 e-mail [sfriedmon@unicef.org](mailto:sfriedmon@unicef.org)

### GOVERNMENT PROGRESS FOR GIRLS IN FOLLOW-UP TO BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION

**PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN TO OR CONTACT THE ADDRESS ABOVE — IF POSSIBLE BY FAX**

Name: ..... Major focus of organization (service, advocacy...):  
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#### SECTION I

Has your government made any specific commitments to girls based on the Beijing Platform of Action? If so, what?

Has there been progress on these commitments? On notional, district and local level. Please explain.

#### SECTION II

Please fill out attached Chart. If space is inadequate or for additional comments, please use a separate sheet.

#### SECTION III

1. From the issues listed on the Chart, what is the most serious problem in your country?

2. Where has most progress occurred?

3. Where has least progress taken place?

4. Other comments.

5. Name, address, e-mail, telephone number of other NGOs who work on girls' issues in your country:

# SECTION II

## ISSUES

### PROGRESS

YES NO

DESCRIBE GOVERNMENT ACTION, OR REASONS  
FOR LACK OF PROGRESS, FOR GIRLS

#### A. EDUCATION RIGHTS

Primary Education

Secondary Education

Curriculum in Science & Math

Programmes to retain girls, including  
pregnant teenagers and  
adolescent mothers

Gender-sensitization of  
teachers/curricula

#### B. HEALTH & NUTRITION RIGHTS

Food allocation within family

Access to services & information:

General Health and Nutrition

Reproductive Health

#### C. PROTECTIVE MEASURES TO ELIMINATE NEGATIVE CULTURAL ATTITUDES AND PRACTICES

Early Marriage

Female Genital Mutilation

#### D. PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST VIOLENCE

Physical/sexual abuse

Infanticide/Prenatal Sex Selection

#### E. PROTECTIVE MEASURES AGAINST ECONOMIC EXPLOITATION

Exploitive Labour

Commercial Sexual Exploitation

Inheritance Rights

We are also interested in what your Agency or Organization is doing on behalf of girls. Please describe your programmes on girls in the areas listed on page 2 of the questionnaire.



INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FOR GIRLS  
WORKING GROUPS ON GIRLS

***THE WORKING GROUPS ON GIRLS***

**Introduction: Who We Are**

The NGO Working Groups on Girls (WGGs) comprise representatives from more than 100 non-governmental organizations (NGOs), associated with UNICEF and the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW). Based in New York and Geneva, the WGGs work within the UN system on behalf of girls' rights and issues affecting girls.

**Background: Why and When**

In 1993 the historic declaration that "Women's Rights are Human Rights" took place at the World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna. At that time, a number of NGOs, especially from Africa and Asia, made efforts to adopt a life-cycle approach to women's rights and incorporate girls in the agenda of several upcoming UN Conferences, including the Fourth World Women's Conference to be held in Beijing in 1995. These efforts met with resistance from significant segments of the international women's movement. At the same time, this resistance proved to be the catalyst for a growing movement and a two year campaign, led by civil society organizations, intergovernmental agencies, and some governments to bring visibility to the global situation of girls and achieve a prominent place on the Beijing agenda for their issues.

The WGGs were established in 1993 as an integral part of this new movement to give voice to girls and to support their issues.

**Accomplishments: What have we done**

- The WGGs have collaborated with representatives of numerous organizations, participating in UN Conferences, (the ICPD (International Conference on Population and Development), the WSSD (World Summit for Social Development) and the Fourth World Women's Conference) to establish an International Network for Girls (INfG)
- The INfG now comprises more than 300 member organizations, academic institutes, and individuals from 54 countries. It works collectively to support the human rights of girls and confronts violations of these rights, in keeping with the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). It advocates for girls analyzes trends in issues affecting girls, shares information and strategies, and monitors government action towards girls.

- As a facilitator of the InfG, the WGGs have forged alliances with national and regional NGOs to develop advocacy and action plans on behalf of girls' rights. They have developed cross-cultural and cross-regional links with women's organizations, governments and civil society in the developing world to help build awareness about girls issues and to advocate for change.
- The WGGs have disseminated information on the situation of girls worldwide. They have prepared position papers on the needs and rights of girls for Beijing and other UN Conferences. The WGGs have been influential in focusing attention on girls as a distinct entity within the movement for women's progress.
- The WGGs have organized workshops at several international conferences including Beijing on girls issues relating to violence, education, human rights and health.

### **Next Steps**

The WGGs will play a major role at the CSW Meeting in March 1998 where the Girl Child will be one of the four themes addressed. The WGGs have been designated the CONGO (Conference of NGOS for the UN) Task Force for the Girl Child and will be responsible for drafting position papers, responding to government statements, and taking an active role in the agreed-upon conclusions of the Meeting.

The WGGs have been tracking Government follow-up on promises made to girls at Beijing through a "Country Commitment Chart" that is widely disseminated to NGOs worldwide. At the CSW, the WGGs will issue a Monitoring Report which reflects this information on a regional and country basis.

At the CSW Meeting, the WGGs will hold daily caucuses and present three panels on the topics of: "Girls' Labor", "an Enabling Environment for Girls" and the "Health of Adolescent Girls". The WGGs anticipate bringing twelve girls from six regions around the world to participate in discussions, panels and caucuses at the CSW.

### **Down the Road**

The mission of the WGGs is to help build a global movement on behalf of and in conjunction with girls through the establishment of national, regional and international NGO coalitions and networks..

These coalitions will monitor progress for girls; collect and disseminate information on "best practices", that is, successful government and civil society programmes for girls worldwide; advocate collectively for governments to take action on behalf of girls; and enable girls themselves to come to the forefront of the process that rightfully belongs to them.

The growth of such a movement will enable today's girls to develop their full potential and take their rightful place as tomorrow's women -- as leaders, parents and productive, contributing members of society.



INTERNATIONAL NETWORK FOR GIRLS  
WORKING GROUPS ON GIRLS

Ms. Melanne Veveer  
Assistant to the President  
Chief of Staff to the First Lady  
The White House  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Ms. Veveer:

At the 42nd Session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women in March 1998, Section L, on the Girl Child, from the Beijing Platform for Action will be on the agenda for review. In preparation for participation in and contribution to that session, the Working Groups on Girls (based in New York and Geneva under the NGO Committee on UNICEF and the Committee on the Status of Women) are planning to publish and disseminate a Monitoring Report tracking government actions and progress for girls since Beijing.

The Report will be based on information contributed by more than 200 international, national, and local NGOs worldwide who have filled out a "Country Commitment Chart" questionnaire which we prepared (see attached). The Report will be used to bring greater visibility to girls' issues and to strengthen the International Network for Girls, (INFg) a new coalition of more than 400 NGOs working worldwide on behalf of and with girls.

Because of First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's extraordinary experience, commitment to girls, and deep respect from the global women's movement, we believe she is an ideal person to write an introduction to the Report. There is no question that her words of encouragement about the importance of global efforts by civil society organizations to hold governments accountable to girls and to build coalitions defending their rights will provide badly needed support to NGOs around the world.

In a recent conversation which I had with Ambassador Linda Tarr Whelan, she encouraged us to submit this request to Mrs. Clinton through your office. We anticipate that a draft of the report will be ready to share with you by early January.

We have enclosed a copy of the questionnaire and a background piece on the Working Groups on Girls which we trust will answer any questions you may have. However, we would welcome further discussion by phone or in person at your convenience.

Thank you in advance for your help in presenting this request to the First Lady

Sincerely,

*Mary H. Purcell*

Mary H. Purcell  
Co-Chair, Working Groups on Girls

cc: Ambassador Linda Tarr-Whelan

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

January 27, 1998

Dear Friends:

I want to extend my best wishes to all who are gathered for this special luncheon announcing the National First Ladies' Library. I especially want to acknowledge the leadership of Mary Regula who had the vision for the library and has worked so hard to make it a reality. I also want to salute the Board of Directors of the National Advisory Board for your commitment and support for this project.

The Library, which will preserve for history and make available to the public the work of America's First Ladies, constitutes an important asset for our nation. I am delighted to be an honorary chairperson of the Library and I look forward to hosting an event next month at the White House to unveil the Library's database.

Thanks and best wishes.

Sincerely,

  
Hillary Rodham Clinton

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celebrate the Library's  
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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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November 10, 1997

Ms. Mary Regula  
Founding Chair & President  
National First Ladies Library  
Saxton McKinley House  
331 Market Avenue South  
Canton, OH 44702-2107

Dear Mary:

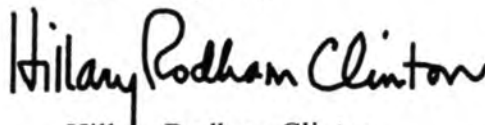
I send my congratulations to each of you gathered for the first meeting of the Board of the National First Ladies' Library. The Library, which will preserve for history and make available to the public the work of America's First Ladies, constitutes an important asset for our nation. I am confident that the Board's leadership and support will enhance the Library's goals.

I am proud to be an honorary chair for the Library and I look forward to hosting the White House introduction of the Library's database. I am hoping to schedule this event in February when the First Ladies of the States will be in Washington for the Winter National Governor's Association meeting.

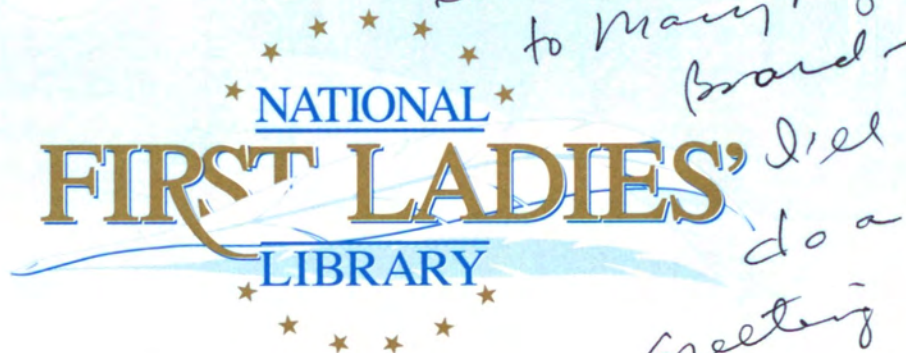
Mary, I especially want to commend you for your vision and commitment to this historic project.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely yours,

  
Hillary Rodham Clinton

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Tuesday, January 27, 1998

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November 5, 1997



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Mrs. Hillary Rodham Clinton  
First Lady of the United States  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

As you know, I am an ardent admirer of your tireless crusade for women's rights. Although this is a multifaceted issue with numerous areas of need, you have made a positive impact on a variety of levels, not only in the United States, but around the world as well. I applaud your continued interest in encouraging women to take an active role in society, in creating opportunities for women, and in demonstrating the amazing feats women can accomplish given the right resources.

The National First Ladies' Library would like to join with you in your renewed international crusade for women's rights. I believe that many of the Library's goals dovetail quite naturally into your own priorities. It is my hope that as our nation's most prominent female leader, you would lend your support of and participation in those initiatives that fall in line with your own campaign to benefit women.

The National First Ladies' Library has outlined a list of priorities for the coming year. These programs and events were developed to fulfill the Library's mission, which is to recognize and celebrate the role of America's First Ladies and other great American women in the evolution of our democracy. If we are to continue to elevate the status of women and increase the opportunities available to them, it is important to highlight the stories of those who have paved the way; and not only in our country, but abroad as well. I hope that you agree and that you would consent to work jointly with the National First Ladies' Library in support of this important cause.

**White House Kickoff of Library's Bibliographic Database**

We are so pleased that you will be introducing the National First Ladies' Library and its bibliographic database from the White House at a press conference early next year. We look forward to working with you on this historic event.

**First Ladies of the States Committee**

The National First Ladies' Library is in the process of organizing a committee of spouses of State Governors to be chaired by Mrs. Frances Hughes Glendening of Maryland and Mrs. Janet Voinovich of Ohio. We are planning to hold a meeting of the spouses during the winter National Governors' Association meeting in Washington between February 21-24, 1998. It has been suggested by your office that this meeting

might be held in conjunction with the White House Kickoff of the National First Ladies' Library's bibliographic database.

It is our hope that members of this committee will work at the state level to promote the roles and accomplishments of women from their particular state. We are also developing programs that could be implemented by the Governor's spouse to honor outstanding women of that state.

*We would like to hold the February, 1998 luncheon meeting at the White House in conjunction with the press conference where you access your bibliography on-line. At this meeting, we hope you would speak to the group about your interest in the project and its importance in the area of women's history.*

#### *The 'First Women' Award*

The National First Ladies' Library will name a handful of women each year who were the first women to achieve national recognition or leadership positions in their chosen fields. Award recipients will be chosen by a special committee designated by the National First Ladies' Library Board of Directors and will include some well-known names as well as some who have not necessarily been in the public eye. Each year, recipients would be honored at a dinner in Washington, DC. We are planning to hold the first dinner one evening during the second or third week of June, 1998.

*The National First Ladies' Library would like to ask you for your stamp of approval for the 'First Women' Award. With your permission, we would like to name this event 'The First Ladies Salute First Women Awards Celebration'. We also hope that you could join us as the Honorary Chair and keynote speaker for the dinner.*

#### *First Ladies of the Hemisphere Meeting in Washington*

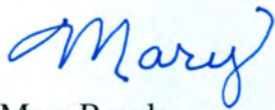
In order to help women around the world reach their potential, it is important to provide them with role models with whom they can identify. There are a significant number of women in leadership positions who share your interest in encouraging women to take their rightful place in society, particularly, the First Ladies of Latin America. Like you, these women are important role models for the young women of their country.

*The National First Ladies' Library would like to host the First Ladies of our hemisphere at an international meeting in Washington to discuss the role of women in emerging democracies. We hope that you would agree to chair this meeting. Such an event would lend itself to another opportunity for you to discuss ideas, share information and offer suggestions for advancing the status of women around the world.*

I have appreciated your support of the National First Ladies' Library as the project continues to evolve from my brainchild into a modern virtual and physical library and educational complex. I know the National First Ladies' Library is destined to be a great national treasure. I also know that you will long be remembered for your devotion to education, for providing appropriate role models for children, and for improving women's chances for success at all levels. I hope you will choose to embrace the National First Ladies' Library as a partner and a friend and that it can become one more lasting legacy that you leave for the women of the world.

I welcome the opportunity to discuss the ideas presented herein with your staff. I can be reached by calling my husband's Canton, Ohio Congressional office at 330-489-4414 or his Washington office at 202-225-3876. Also, please feel free to contact me at home in Navarre, Ohio at 330-756-2635.

Sincerely,



Mary Regula  
Founding Chair and President

## National First Ladies' Library Project Update

November 5, 1997

- ▶ The National First Ladies' Library has just received a donation of six original letters written by William and Ida Saxton McKinley. The Library is in the process of having them appraised.
- ▶ Recently, Mr. Marsh Belden and Mr. Tim Belden donated a six-story office building to the National First Ladies' Library. Like the Saxton McKinley House, the City National Bank Building is a historic building built in the late 1800s. Bob Gaede, a historical architect from Cleveland, Ohio, is currently conducting an in-depth study of the building in order to develop plans for restoration. This building is slated as the future home of the National First Ladies' Library's Educational Center. In addition to housing the Library's collections, the building will have a theater, a computer center, classrooms, a research room, and a lecture room.

The Library plans to work with representatives from Microsoft Corporation and Northern Telecom to design this Library of the future.

- ▶ The Library recently named Edith Mayo as Acting Director. Ms. Mayo is a well-known expert in the field of First Ladies, most recently serving as Curator Emeritus of the Smithsonian's First Ladies exhibit, where she reconceptualized the exhibit to include information on the contributions of each First Lady to American History.
- ▶ The first meeting of the National First Ladies' Library Board of Directors will take place on Thursday, November 13, 1997 in the U.S. Capitol.
- ▶ The Library has secured seven major sponsors including:  
Consolidated Natural Gas Company  
General Motors Corporation  
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- ▶ Plans are under way for the Library's First Women Awards dinner in June of 1998. This will be an annual event to honor a handful of women who were the first to achieve national recognition or positions of leadership in their chosen fields. Award recipients will include some well-known women as well as some who have not traditionally been in the public spotlight. Recipients will be selected by a special committee appointed by the Library's Board of Directors.



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Mrs. Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff  
Office of the First Lady  
Old Executive Office Building, Room 100  
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Melanne,

I enjoyed speaking with you last week about the National First Ladies' Library, and I am looking forward to working with you on plans for the press conference and luncheon with Governors' spouses early next year.

I have enclosed a proposal to Mrs. Clinton that discusses the Library's priorities for the coming year. I believe they fall in line with Mrs. Clinton's commitment to education and women's rights. I hope that Mrs. Clinton would consider having an active voice in these programs as our nation's leading advocate on these issues. The proposal details our ideas further.

I have also enclosed a brief update on the Library which continues to develop at an amazing speed. It seems like everyone we talk to wants to get involved. I think we have put together a remarkable Board of Directors.

Along those lines, we will hold our first Board meeting next Thursday, November 13. I am hoping to be able to present your letter from Mrs. Clinton to the Board at that time. I will be happy to help in any way I can to facilitate the drafting of this letter. Please let me know how I can help.

I will be in touch to follow up on this letter.

Sincerely,

Mary Regula  
Founding Chair and President

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THE WHITE HOUSE  
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April 15, 1998

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Executive Director  
School of International and Public Affairs  
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New York, NY 10027

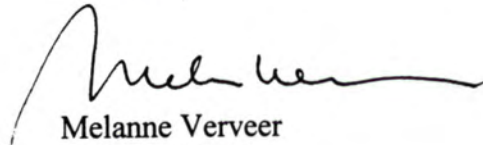
Dear Mr. Phillips:

Thank you very much for your letter and request for Ms. Bonino to meet with Mrs. Clinton while she is in Washington. Mrs. Clinton has previously met with Emma both at the White House and in Vienna. She would obviously look forward to another opportunity.

Regrettably, however, Mrs. Clinton will be unable to meet with Emma at this time because she will be traveling to Europe.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
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20 March 1998

Mrs. Hillary Clinton  
The White House  
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

I am writing to suggest that you meet with Emma Bonino, European Union Commissioner for Humanitarian Affairs. Mme. Bonino will be in Washington, D.C. during the afternoon of May 11 and May 12, 1998.

Emma Bonino is a bright light in the field of international humanitarian affairs. She has advocated women's rights in Afghanistan; accountability for disappeared refugees in the Great Lakes region; assistance to Iraqi Kurds attacked by chemical and biological agents; apprehension/prosecution of war criminals by the ad hoc Tribunals for ex-Yugoslavia and Rwanda; and establishment of an International Criminal Court to deter crimes against humanity. Emma Bonino directs the European Community Humanitarian Office (ECHO) which distributed more than \$1 billion in 1996-1997.

In light of your recent remarks on Women's Day about gender discrimination in Afghanistan, I believe it would be particularly useful for you and Emma to get to know one another. In addition to your concern about women and children, there are many mutual interests which you share.

I will be in contact with your office regarding our appointment request.

Thank you.

Sincerely,



David L. Phillips  
Executive Director

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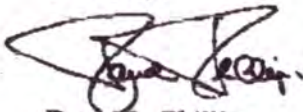
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Thank you.

Sincerely,



David L. Phillips  
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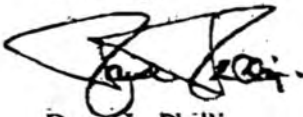
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TO: Amb. Soderberg FROM: ECOSOC:David Shapiro DATE: 4/9/98 RE: Attached  
Yes, you can support David Phillips' request that the First Lady meet  
Emma Bonino, EU Commissioner for Humanitarian Affairs, and that  
Secretary Albright provide remarks at a reception in WashDC organized with  
Mme. Bonino o/a May 11-12, 1998.

CAVEAT: Although a prestigious player in international circles, Bonino holds  
views that do not always coincide with USG policy. She is more extreme re the  
issue of women in Afghanistan (may want UN to pull out entirely in absence of  
equal access and benefits for women). She is also in a major squabble with  
UN U/SYG Pino Arlacchi, head of UN crime and drug programs in Vienna.  
Arlacchi believes she is undermining him re his opium eradication program in  
Afghanistan (a truly major initiative that will likely make or break Arlacchi's  
reputation in the UN). Bonino also leans towards legalization in her views on  
certain illicit drugs, a view contrary to UN as well as USG policy.

However, it is probably beneficial that FLOTUS and SecState meet her and  
learn her views. I've vetted this with IO/ESA (SKotok), USUN (LLShestack)  
and USUN (Peggy Kerry).

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

April 13, 1998

Mr. Keith Pedler  
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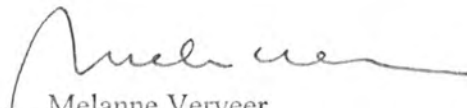
Dear Mr. Pedler:

Thank you for your letter and information on  
GUNSAFE.

I have passed the information along as you requested.  
We appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
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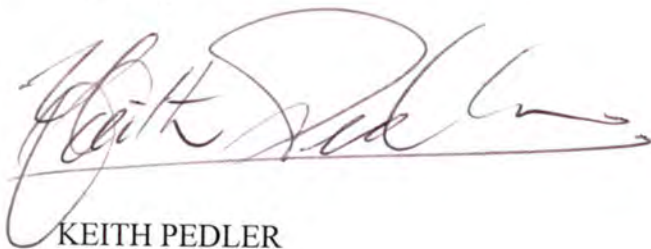
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Knowing her concern over matters of Child Health and Safety, I would be very grateful if you would put this information in the hands of the First Lady.

With Thanks

Sincerely

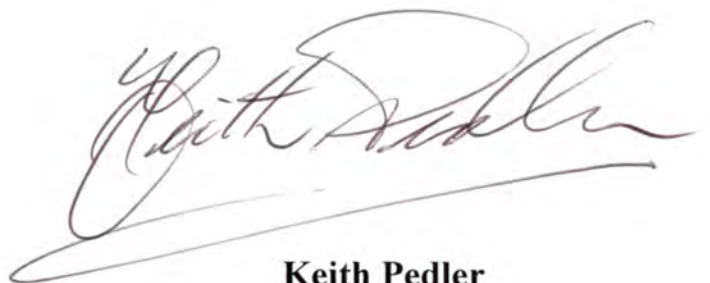
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KEITH PEDLER  
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**GUN CONTROL**  
**THERE IS A BETTER**  
**WAY!**

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**Keith Pedler  
Justice of the  
Peace, Qualified**

President of the United States of America  
The White House  
Washington DC  
USA

Dear Mr President,

No doubt you are very concerned about the current bitter controversy raging between opposing groups, over Gun Control Legislation, and there would appear to be no easy way to reconcile the wishes of both legitimate firearms owners, and those who demand total abolition. Compromises such as licensing, or limitations on numbers owned and/or calibres, seem to inflame emotions on both sides, while incurring great administrative cost, and doing little to minimise gun accidents and crime.

I hope you will be interested in the enclosed information relating to my patented invention '**GUNSAFE**', which for the first time renders firearms completely harmless while not in use, by clamping on the end of the barrel with soft-aligning jaws, and safely trapping the projectile in case of unintentional discharge. No damage results to the gun, all calibres including big-game and military types are accommodated., and the device is re-useable.

Children, in particular, are totally safeguarded from their natural inquisitiveness, which as you know, leads to large numbers of death and mutilations annually. Sadly, youngsters have a compulsion to pick up guns, point them at parent, or friend, or brother, and shout "Bang". All too often the bang is real.

Police Ballistics experts have proved '**GUNSAFE**' is 100% effective, and it has been demonstrated publicly at our Parliament House in Sydney. Women can see at a glance that '**GUNSAFE**' is fitted to a gun, and that it is, therefore, harmless. No knowledge of weapons, and their many variations, is necessary. (I can provide videos of public demonstrations and tests.) It was recently televised across the USA on "Beyond 2000", an Australian series highlighting new developments of all kinds.

May I respectfully suggest, that your administration could give consideration to the mandatory use of '**GUNSAFE**' on all rifles, handguns and shotguns -

- (a) In public places.
- (b) In transit, particularly in aircraft, (in fact all public transport) and in private vehicles en-route to accredited ranges or open country.
- (c) Sold my mail order.
- (d) Sold by storekeepers, or any licensed gun dealer, over the counter.
- (e) After repair.
- (f) Being carried over State lines.
- (g) In police vehicles (not on the person of an officer)
- (h) In private places, not being securely locked up.

It will automatically be an offence, for any unauthorised person to be at large in possession of a firearm, without '**GUNSAFE**' fitted.

You will immediately see all kinds of difficulties and objections in this, but with determination, and most importantly the right people, I am quite confident that workable and welcome legislation will result. Furthermore, I can probably answer most of the obvious objections for you immediately, as I have been closely involved in all aspects of the proposal for some time. One well established fact is that the shooting fraternity, e.g. the N.R.A. are opposed to it, just as they oppose all gun law. But you can take the wind right out of the sail of those who want drastic, useless restrictions. **'GUNSAFE' IS TRULY A WORLD 'FIRST'** and is protected by a sound patent.

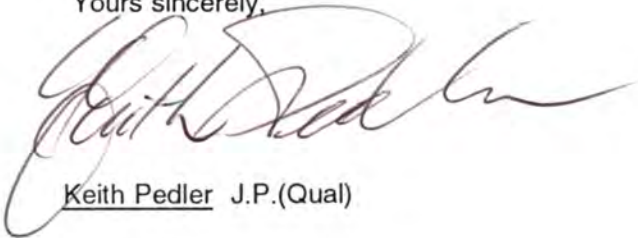
**'GUNSAFE'** is NOT intended for field or range use, but it will safeguard children and adults from the vast numbers of guns kept in homes and elsewhere across the country. You will find people whose children have died through THEIR carelessness, and the ever prevalent attitude "it won't happen to me," are only too eager to be interviewed, and to blame themselves in public. Every one of them will endorse **'GUNSAFE'**

This is NOT a crank notion of a daydreaming inventor, by the way. Your staff could check my credentials with, for example the former Premier of this State, the Honourable Sir Johannes Bjelke-Petersen, M.L.A. or his wife, Senator Lady Florence Bjelke-Petersen, who have one of my devices.

Please do not dismiss this matter lightly, rarely does a proven cheap and simple solution to a great social problem come along. With your assistance and guidance, **'GUNSAFE'** will save a great number of children from death or ghastly injury.

It is astonishing that we have voluminous regulations covering the safe handling and storage of poisons, explosives, electricity, fuels etc, but not firearms, although they are the only product freely on sale which is actually DESIGNED to kill.

Yours sincerely,

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Keith Pedler J.P.(Qual)

# BITING THE BULLET

We all have to face the fact that shooting accidents occur, sometimes despite normal precautions. Gunsafe, a new Australian invention, provides the ultimate protection — it stops an accidentally-fired shot as it leaves the barrel.



Keith Pedler with his Gunsafe device fitted to a 12 g shotgun.

SHOOTERS know how to look after themselves when they're handling guns, but to hell with anyone else. Not a conscious attitude, perhaps, but nevertheless, one our community seems to harbor. Statistics prove it — 46 Australians died from accidental shootings in 1973-74, and similar numbers have died each year since. Not to mention the 136 injury-producing gun accidents that were reported, and the considerably larger number that weren't. The fact is, guns are unintentionally discharged, and people are killed and wounded — a third of them indoors or in vehicles. Yet few shooters seem to take safety precautions when they bring their guns home.

The statistics might be frightening, but the effect on the people involved in an accidental shooting is considerably more serious. It's difficult to imagine how you would feel if your child killed your wife with your "unloaded" rifle — perhaps by holding on to the trigger as your wife tried to take it out of the child's playful clutches. Or the kids found a round and got your rifle out of the wardrobe to see whether it fitted. And one of them was shot.

These cases are not figments of the imagination — they're statistics.

About six months ago newspapers, radio and television right around Australia made a song and dance about a "revolutionary new gun safety device" which had been developed by a Sydney gun enthusiast named Keith Pedler. The device was called Gunsafe. Basically it was a rubber-lined steel cap that fitted over the muzzle of a firearm and was said to stop any bullet or shot fired into it, without damaging anything but the device itself. There was talk of legislation to make it compulsory to buy a Gunsafe with every firearm. Shooters' hackles went up, anti-gunners

rubbed their hands, and a lot of people wondered just how effective the device would be. After all, would a shooter who neglected basic safety precautions bother — or remember — to fit one? And the safety conscious wouldn't need one anyway. Besides, there are already trigger locks, interruptors and safety catches available — why spend more money on a bulky, ugly lump of metal to disfigure your rifle?

With this in mind OUTDOORS visited Keith Pedler some time after the popular fuss had died down. Ex-army, engineer, gun enthusiast for 30-odd years, licensed pistol dealer, gunsmith — and father of small children. His workshop was crammed with boxes of bits that have been part of the two-and-a-half year development of the Gunsafe device. An over-and-under shotgun and a couple of high power rifles sat muzzled among a collection of powerful ammunition behind a child-proof door.

Pedler loaded number four shot, SG, .300 Weatherby Magnum and .243 and fired into Gunsafes which already showed the bulges of having been used. Noise, smoke and a little more bulge. The thing worked. All those charges are pretty hot stuff but the inventor confidently blasted away, only metres in front of a concrete wall. There was no sign of the device slipping off the barrel, no sign of blowback, and no sign of the metal splitting.

"We're tooling up now, and production models will look prettier than this," he said. "We'll also be using a special seamless alloy so they will be even stronger, too. But there's no doubt it works. I've repeatedly tested the prototypes with the heaviest charges sold in Australia (even .460 Weatherby Magnums) and the design has handled them all — repeatedly. They have to be

strong because I want to sell them, among other places, on the American market, and everyone knows their love of extremely high-powered cartridges. I have to be able to stand up in front of them and confidently say 'it will handle anything'".

NSW police ballisticians have tested the device, and they acknowledge its effectiveness. But it's effective only when fitted, so as few people regard themselves as negligent or idiots, who would buy and fit one?

"The enthusiast will be the hardest to sell to," Keith admitted. "But what I'm aiming at primarily is protecting the third parties, not the shooter. It's the idiot factor that pops up so often — accidents you couldn't possibly imagine. Yet they happen, despite the owner taking precautions, and sometimes — like one I recently tried to follow up — completely destroy families. By having a device like this on the end of the barrel, it doesn't matter what happens — nobody can get hurt.

"I think women will be the strongest allies — many will probably buy a Gunsafe for their husbands, and even more will insist that it's put on the gun. Unlike safety catches and so on, anyone can see a gun is safe if it has one of these on the end. You don't have to know anything about guns. As well, when a Gunsafe saves a life, the grapevine will very quickly spread the word. Once women know it's available, I think their insistence that it be used, will save more lives.

"It's not expensive, either, when you consider the average gun sale these days is about \$250. Putting \$ on top of that is not much when you consider the heartbreak it could save. The insurance cover alone is worth the money."

The insurance. As a bonus, and included in the initial price, there is a

\$10,000 personal accident cover, and a \$250,000 personal liability cover, regulated by one of the largest insurance companies in the world, North America, through brokers Stewart Wrightson and Co in Sydney. Final details were still to be worked out, but there will be no premiums — the original price will give cover for at least 10 years (the estimated life of most guns), or run for a month after the Gunsafe has been used. The idea of that is to give someone who has an accidental discharge time to buy a new device and fit it — as they'll no doubt be extra keen to do!

One of the biggest objections Keith foresees is that of damage to the gun barrel. From what we saw, there is no danger. The guns he has been using for testing and demonstrations don't have a mark on them. No blowback has pitted the muzzle, neither have the clamps scratched the bluing.

And what about the legislation to make Gunsafe compulsory?

"The way I see it, the community is moving towards the stage where we are going to have restrictive firearms laws thrust upon us by some grandstanding politician — dopey legislation such as the recent proposal that everyone be restricted to owning only three guns. I mean, it takes only one shot to kill, so what good would that do? But if legislation such as fitting a safety device like Gunsafe were brought in, it might satisfy the anti-gunners, without hindering shooters and making things safer for those around them. Sure, I'd stand to make money, but it might head off some pretty stupid alternatives."

But despite initial State Government manoeuvring, legislation now seems unlikely.

Gunsafe is made of heavy gauge cold drawn steel tubing filled and coated

with rubber, which traps all fragments and fine shot. The nose is 40 mm thick solid steel. Propellant gases are vented sideways, and projectile fragments are trapped inside the soft filling. The weight of the unit — about 1.36 kg — should stop smaller children pointing a rifle at another person, perhaps beginning basic safety training. The device tightens with a wing-nut arrangement, and can be padlocked in place. Removal, in the rare case of self-protection, would be rapid — provided you could quickly find the key. The padlock is, however, not essential — it's an additional safety measure.

The NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research, and the Department of the Attorney General and of Justice, published a paper on accidental shootings for 1973-74. The figures quoted earlier were taken from that, but the paper also said that 19 percent of the fatal gun accidents in 73-74 happened to children between the ages of 10 and 14. That age appears to be the most inquisitive and there are also few places in the home children of that age cannot reach. The authors of the paper said .22 rifles and 12 gauge shotguns (the most common arms) accounted for 76 percent of the deaths.

Their comment that "there is little chance of the untrained person knowing whether the weapon is loaded or unloaded" was one of the factors Pedler considered with his device. As he said, few shooters take the basic military precaution of rifle in one place, ammo somewhere else, and bolt in a third place. Anyway, there are so many other types of action that the idea is not totally effective when applied to civilian sporting arms.

So, Gunsafe works. It will be sold only by mail order, he says, to keep the price down. Will you be using it? \*

# Gunshot wounds in children a major problem in urban US

**BOSTON.** — Children as young as 10 in the United States are shooting themselves.

In Detroit, one of the few cities to keep track of young gun victims, 365 children aged 17 or under were hit by bullets in 1986 and 43 died. In the first six months of this year, 197 were shot and 22 died.

In a study of 300 Los Angeles shooting victims under the age of 15 between 1974 and 1984, Dr Gary Ordag of Martin Luther King jun. General Hospital in Watts, a poor section of the city, found "a clear trend toward even younger victims," including a dozen under 10.

But doctors said they were most disturbed by children who used guns on themselves. Suicide is the second leading cause of death of children after accidents, and guns are the preferred method, they said.

"I've seen children as young as 10 shoot themselves," said Dr Catherine Musemeche, a Houston area paediatric surgeon. "It's a very effective weapon and it's available. If a kid wants to kill himself the gun is right there in the home."

Gunshot wounds in children — whether from a feud over drugs, an accidental firing of a parent's weapon or a suicide attempt — have become a major medical problem in US urban areas, according to doctors at a paediatric trauma conference in Boston.

"Everyone used to assume that it was children in ghettos who were getting shot," said Dr Musemeche.

"But according to my observations, you can't generalise about socio-economic factors anymore."

"If there are guns in the home and children can get at them, then more than likely someone will get shot," she said.

The problem had grown over the past decade, the experts said.

While gunshot wounds constituted only 2 percent to 6 percent of paediatric emergency admissions, the injuries

## Shootings come out of the ghetto



**FLASHBACK** to July, 1984 — a young boy is assisted by a paramedic after he was shot by a gunman who killed 20 people at a McDonald's restaurant in San Ysidro, California.

frequently resulted in disability or death.

Research indicates that the mortality rate for children with gunshot wounds is about 9 percent, compared with 5 percent in motor vehicle accidents and 2 percent in bicycle accidents.

Dr Musemeche said that in the first three months of 1986 there was a sharp increase in young patients with gunshot wounds at her institution, University Children's Hospital at Hermann, which prompted the hospital to study the problem.

In a paper presented at the Boston meeting, Dr Musemeche and her colleagues said 107 children aged six months to 16 years were admitted with gunshot wounds from 1981-1986 and 23 died.

According to the Houston study, 40 patients were shot during play, and 12 in suicide attempts.

Weapons used included 39 handguns, 11 rifles, 11 shotguns, 12 BB (air) guns.

"It's the BB guns that are really scary," said Dr Stuart Lacey, paediatric surgeon at the

University of North Carolina School of Medicine in Chapel Hill.

"Parents buy them for their kids because they remember them as toys but the BB guns sold today are high-powered rifles. They are lethal weapons that can pierce a skull."

Doctors at the conference heard papers about childhood risks ranging from car accidents to snakebites, but they were particularly angry about gunshot wounds in children under 16.

"This is a tremendously evil injury because it is totally preventable," said Dr Barbara Barlow, chief paediatric surgeon at New York's Harlem Hospital. "It is only within the last few years that paediatric surgeons have realised the magnitude of this problem. Now they all want gun control."

Dr Barlow, who pioneered research on children with gunshot wounds, said her hospital rarely saw gunshot wounds prior to 1970 but between 1970 and 1986 Harlem Hospital admitted 173 children with such injuries.

"We see gunshot wounds in children that range in age from a couple of months old to 16," she said. "And these are not adults shooting children. Most children are shot by other children."

Dr Barlow said most of her patients were shot during drug-related incidents, either as innocent bystanders or because they were involved in drug traffic themselves.

"We do not have many play-related accidents and we do not have child suicides. In Harlem children do not shoot themselves," she said.

Because Harlem was known as a ghetto, the medical community initially considered her research a description of a problem unique to poor areas.

But she said she expected Dr Musemeche's Houston study to have a more chilling impact as it is "frightening because she is dealing with a private hospital in an affluent community".



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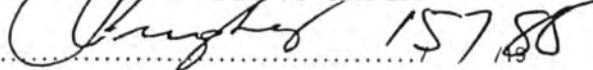
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**FAX NO.:** 202-456-6244

**DATE:** April 6, 1998

**FROM:** Julia Cohen, Legislative Representative

**NUMBER OF PAGES (including cover sheet):** 5

**COMMENTS:**

Attached please find a letter regarding the President of IPPF's visit, a copy of her bio, and her letter's to the Vice President.

Please call me at 202-973-6390, at your earliest convenience, to discuss further.

Thank you for your assistance.

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April 6, 1998

Melanne Verveer  
Office of the First Lady  
OEOB, Room 100  
Washington, DC 20501

Dear Melanne,

On April 28 and 29, Dr. Attiya Inayatullah, President of International Planned Parenthood Federation, will be in Washington, DC. She will be meeting with members of Congress, and officials of USAID and the State Department. She would very much like to meet with Vice President Gore and the First Lady, if possible, in order to express her gratitude for their unwavering support and commitment to the health and well-being of women and families around the world.

Please let me know if a meeting will be at all possible. I may be reached at 202-973-6390 to discuss schedule's, etc. Background information on Dr. Inayatullah is attached for your information.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Julia Cohen'.

Julia Cohen  
Legislative Representative

Enclosures

cc: Ms. Susan Liss  
Ms. Wendy Sherman  
Ms. Robin Leeds  
Mr. Duff Gillespie



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*from the Office of the President*

**PERSONAL**

31st March, 1998

Dear

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I am giving my luck a chance! I do hope you will be in Washington during my forthcoming visit and can spare time for a brief meeting. It is in this context I am sending a formal letter to your office. It would also be an opportunity to re-visit with you after a long time.

*regards*

Yours sincerely,

Dr. (Mrs.) Attiya Inayatullah

H.E. Mr. Al Gore,  
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*from the Office of the President*

31st March, 1998

Dear Mr Vice President, Sir

On an invitation from Rep. Jim Greenwood I shall be in Washington in late April'98 for advocacy on the Hill to promote the need for international family planning and deter Congress from pressing for the Mexico Policy.

During my visit I would like to take the opportunity of thanking a pro-choice President and Vice President for their support and assure you that such difficulties help IPPF's muscle tone. I shall be in Washington from the 28th - 30th April'98 both days inclusive and would greatly appreciate your kindly sparing time for a brief meeting.

Knowing of your genuine and long interest in the area of population, environment and sustainable development, I am confident you will accede to this request.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. (Mrs.) Attiya Inayatullah

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**Dr. Inayatullah has a long and distinguished history in the family planning movement in her country of origin, Pakistan, and internationally. For the past six years she has been the chairperson of the IPPF Central Council - the Federation's main decision-making body. She is also the President of the Pakistan Family Planning Association, and Chair of the Executive Board of the United Nations Education, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO).**

During her career, Dr. Inayatullah has held a number of positions in the Pakistani government. She was a Member of Parliament, Minister of State for Population Welfare, and adviser on population, welfare, and women's affairs to the President of Pakistan. She is the founder of the Pakistan SOS Children's Village, and is a patron of the Pakistan Youth Foundation. During the 1994 International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo, Dr. Inayatullah acted as deputy leader of the Pakistan delegation.

Dr. Inayatullah's work in the field of women's reproductive rights and population and development has been recognized in international awards including the 1974 United Nations Ceres Gold Medal given to women who have made outstanding contributions to the field, and the 1994 Human Rights Gold Medal by the Human Rights Society of Pakistan.

In her acceptance speech, Dr. Inayatullah said, "I see IPPF contributing by way of deepening and heightening its work in its established fields of competence - reproductive and sexual health, responsible parenting and adolescent sexuality. We must concentrate on women - who constitute the majority of the world's population - empowering them to be in charge of their own destinies."

Dr. Inayatullah was elected to the three-year post during IPPF's Members Assembly held in Manila, Philippines from 10-13 November 1995. She succeeds Dr. Fred Sai of Ghana who was President from 1989 to 1995.

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June 22, 1998

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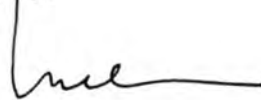
Dear Ms. Peasley:

Thank you for your letter, the photos with Sister Rachele and the Ugandan children in Makerere and the article in USAID's newsletter.

I have shared the newsletter with my colleagues. Carol, you are such an asset to our nation. It is always wonderful to work with you and it was so helpful to have you on the trip.

Best wishes in all you do.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
the First Lady



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June 5, 1998

Melanne,

I'm a bit slow getting these to you, but thought you might want copies of the photos of you with Sister Rachele and the Ugandan children at Makerere. Also, I thought you might enjoy the article from USAID's internal newsletter. I've also enclosed a couple of other crowd pictures which I thought captured some of the wonderful people we saw.



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Lastly, I'd again like to thank you for your help in getting me on the trip. It really was a wonderful opportunity to be even a small part of such a grand event. As I wrote in the article, it was a real celebration of development in Africa.

Thanks again,

Carol Beasley

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April 20, 1998

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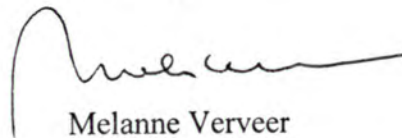
Dear Mr. Puram:

Thank you very much for your letter. I was sorry to hear that you were not selected to the White House Fellowship program, but I am certain that there will be other opportunities in the future.

It is doubtful that there will be a delegation that accompanies the President on his trip to India. However, should that change we will give your request full consideration.

Best wishes.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Melanne Verveer', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melanne Verveer  
Chief of Staff to  
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April 10, 1998

**Ms. Melanne Verveer**  
**Chief of Staff to the First Lady**  
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**Dear Melanne,**

Thank you for your letter dated February 23, 1998. I appreciate the time you took to reply to my letter about the First Lady's commendable performance in Davos.

I wanted to write a quick note to you to tell you that I was not selected as a regional finalist for the White House Fellowship and therefore unable to realize my goal of working with the First Lady in any capacity. It is a competitive process and I gave it my best shot.

However, as you assemble your contingent for travel to India, I would be delighted if you could consider me to be part of the delegation. I will be happy to review with anyone appropriate why I might be appropriate to go to India with the Presidential delegation. I have strong ties with India, with numerous friends and relatives who are very accomplished in the private sector in India, and a family background that goes back to about fifty years where my grandfather was very intimately involved with the first few Presidents of India and was a very well known businessman and industrialist in South India.

Dean Joseph Nye of Harvard's Kennedy School and Secretary Robert Reich could perhaps be contacted for references should the need arise. Thank you for your time, Melanne.

**Sincerely,**

