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October 18, 1999

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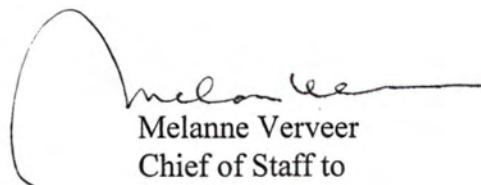
Dear Mr. Passey:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter, which was forwarded to us by Christopher Dell. Mrs. Clinton was honored to speak before such a distinguished audience in Warsaw. I am so glad you were able to attend the event.

The Office of Presidential Scheduling has received your invitation for President Clinton. As plans for the President's schedule are made, they will be in touch with you if it is possible to accept your invitation.

Mrs. Clinton often speaks of her visit to Bulgaria last year with great fondness. Please accept her appreciation for the Club's work to strengthen US-Bulgaria ties, along with her best wishes.

All the best,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Melanne Verveer". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping initial "M".

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



Embassy of the United States of America

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8 October 1999

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Dear Melanne: Attached is a letter from Solomon Passi of Bulgaria's Atlantic Club following up on his conversation w/ Mrs. Clinton in Warsaw.

It's hard to believe it's been a year already since you were here. We're all hoping FLOTUS will be able to come in November, but understand the competing pressures. What can I say except "Go Yankees!" Best regards,
Chris Dell



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Hillary Rodham Clinton
The First Lady of the United States of America

October 6, 1999

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

It was an honor to meet you again yesterday in Warsaw. I was once again deeply impressed by your speech, just as I was in May, when we met at the American Jewish Committee meeting in Washington D.C.

As I mentioned to you, I have invited President Clinton to address the Atlantic Club of Bulgaria during his expected visit to our country. As tradition goes, the Atlantic Club will gather at a special meeting for this occasion the cream of the political, academic, business and media elite of this country. And therefore, as I mentioned to you, I would be mostly obliged if you could possibly encourage him to accept my invitation.

Certainly President Clinton's appearance at the Atlantic Club would bring deep satisfaction to all the many American NGOs, think-tanks, policy institutes (including Jewish organizations) with whom the Atlantic Club has worked in the last decade. For us, of course, it would represent an important milestone in Bulgaria's long road to NATO; a road which President Clinton himself encouraged us to follow.

Let me wish you every success in your campaign for the Senate: your country deserves a Senator like you. If I could be of some help in that respect, I would be glad to do my best.

Sincerely yours,

Solomon Passy
President of the Atlantic Club of Bulgaria
Vice-President of the Atlantic Treaty Association

attachment: my letter to President Clinton

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

October 29, 1999

Karen Popp
Sidley & Austin
1722 Eye Street, NW
Washington, DC 20006

Dear Karen:

Congratulations on your new job at Sidley & Austin.
They are so lucky to have you.

Thank you for your many contributions during your
time at the White House. You will be greatly missed here.

Very best wishes,

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

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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KAREN A. POPP

MS. POPP FOR THE PREVIOUS TWO YEARS ADVISED THE PRESIDENT AND THE WHITE HOUSE STAFF IN CONNECTION WITH CONGRESSIONAL AND GRAND JURY INVESTIGATIONS, AND ON VARIOUS DOMESTIC POLICY ISSUES, INCLUDING CRIMINAL LAW AND HEALTHCARE MATTERS. SHE ALSO WORKED WITH VARIOUS FEDERAL AGENCIES AND CONGRESSIONAL MEMBERS AND STAFFS ON THESE INITIATIVES.

PRIOR TO HER APPOINTMENT AS ASSOCIATE COUNSEL TO THE PRESIDENT IN 1996, MS. POPP SERVED IN THE OFFICE OF LEGAL COUNSEL AT THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. SHE ADVISED THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, THE WHITE HOUSE AND OTHER AGENCIES OF THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH ON A WIDE RANGE OF LEGAL MATTERS, INCLUDING CONSTITUTIONAL AND CRIMINAL LAW.

FROM 1991-1995, MS. POPP SERVED AS AN ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY IN THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK, IN THE ORGANIZED CRIME AND RACKETEERING SECTION. MS. POPP WAS ALSO AN ADJUNCT PROFESSOR AT FORDHAM LAW SCHOOL IN NEW YORK FROM 1993 TO 1995. SHE WAS IN PRIVATE PRACTICE IN NEW YORK FROM 1986 TO 1991, REPRESENTING BANKS AND FORTUNE 500 COMPANIES IN VARIOUS CIVIL LITIGATION MATTERS.

MS. POPP GRADUATED *CUM LAUDE* FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA SCHOOL OF LAW IN 1985. SHE SERVED AS AN EDITOR OF THE NORTH CAROLINA LAW REVIEW, WAS A MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF THE COIF, AND TAUGHT BUSINESS LAW AT NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY. UPON GRADUATION FROM LAW SCHOOL, MS. POPP CLERKED FOR THE HONORABLE SAM J. ERVIN III, OF THE U.S. COURT OF APPEALS FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT. SHE RECEIVED HER UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHARLOTTE, WHERE SHE GRADUATED *CUM LAUDE* IN 1980 AND THEN STUDIED LAW AT OXFORD UNIVERSITY.

THE WHITE HOUSE
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December 14, 1999

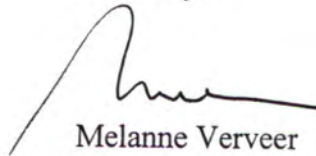
Sally Painter
Managing Director, Fontheim International
888 16th Street, NW #300
Washington, DC 20006-4103

Dear Sally:

Thank you for your note and the letter from Iatyona Stoyarova, which I have passed on to the First Lady. We were delighted to have you with us in Iceland and look forward to working with you in the New Year.

Very best wishes and thank you for all you have done to support Vital Voices.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

SALLY PAINTER
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SALLY PAINTER

Dear Melanne,

November 1999

It was good to meet with you
on follow-up to the Vital Voices
Conference. I am confident that
Citigroup will be a strong partner.

also, attached is a letter to
the first lady from Tatjana Stolysova,
over

the young lady who spoke from
Estonia. Could you pass it
on? Many thanks.

Best,
Sally Painter

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 7, 2000

The Honorable Fanny Palli-Petralia
28, Akademias Str.,
10671 Athens, Greece

Dear Fanny:

Thank you for your thoughtful card and good wishes. It is wonderful to hear from you and to have been with you for the conversation with Mrs. Clinton.

Perhaps we will be able to join together with you in your EU capacity to chart ways to collectively support women's programs in the emerging democracies. We'll be back in touch.

Very best wishes to you and your family for a happy New Year.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



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FROM THE NORTHERN SIDE OF THE FRIEZE OF THE PARTHENON
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Dear Melanne,

*A new century
and a new millennium
open before us.*

*I wish you with all my heart
that all your expectations
will materialise.*

Fanny Palli-Petralis

FANNY PALLI - PETRALIA, M.P.
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January 4, 2000

Ms. Nancy L. Peterson and Ms. Patricia DiGiorgio
United Nations Association of San Francisco
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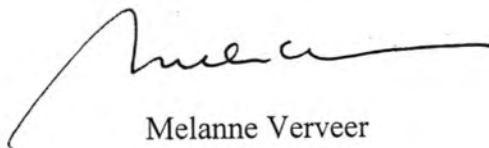
Dear Ms. Peterson and Ms. DiGiorgio:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter and invitation for Mrs. Clinton to present the Eleanor Roosevelt Humanitarian Award in San Francisco between February 23 and March 2, 2000.

It is unlikely that Mrs. Clinton will be able to accept your kind invitation, as her upcoming schedule would make a trip to San Francisco difficult. However, I have forwarded your request to Patti Solis Doyle, Director of Scheduling for the First Lady. As the date for the event approaches, her office will be in touch with you.

Very best wishes.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
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November 15, 1999

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

Attention: Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff

Dear Mrs. Clinton:

Mrs. Suzanne Mubarak of Egypt has been chosen by the United Nations Association of San Francisco to receive the Eleanor Roosevelt Humanitarian Award for her tireless efforts on behalf of bettering the lives of the world's children, especially through education.

Mrs. Mubarak has expressed a desire to have you, Mrs. Clinton, present this award at a prestigious event we are planning for her. We are most hopeful you would do this; Mrs. Mubarak has some flexibility in her schedule which in turn could accommodate your availability. Would it be possible for you to be in San Francisco sometime between the dates of February 23 and March 2, 2000, preferably a weekday?

Once a date is set, planning will begin immediately. We anticipate a black tie event for approximately one thousand guests for this occasion in a large hotel. Working with the Egyptian Consul General in San Francisco, The Honorable Hagar El Islambouly, the event will be professionally coordinated by Sherri Ferris of Protocol International. This firm is known to the White House; we are confident Ms. Ferris is eminently qualified to handle protocol requirements and security needs. An open line of communication between your staff and Protocol International will assure the smooth management of this event.

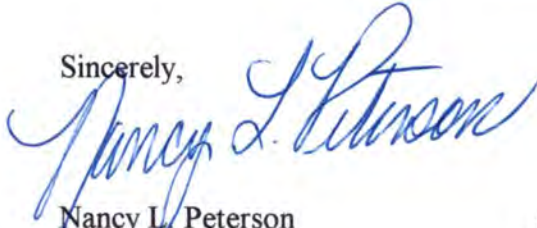
This dinner, with you and Mrs. Mubarak leading the way, has the potential of being the "international happening" for San Francisco of the season.

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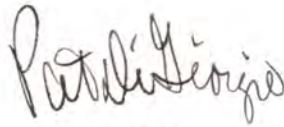
We look forward to hearing affirmatively from you prior to November 25, 1999, to allow sufficient time for preparation. In the meanwhile, you have our warmest wishes, and our thanks for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Nancy L. Peterson
President

contact phone 510 526-5997



Patricia DiGiorgio
Event Chair

contact phone 415 989-3602

cc: Patti Solis Doyle
Director of Scheduling



Sherri Ferris
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Consulate General
The Arab Republic Of Egypt
For The Western States

San Francisco

Ms. Sherri Ferris
Director,
Protocol International
2040 Polk Street, No. 164
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November 17, 1999

Dear Sherri,

In reference to the United Nations Association decision regarding the invitation to present our First Lady Mrs. Suzanne Mubarak at the Elianor Roosevelt Humanitarian Award 2000.

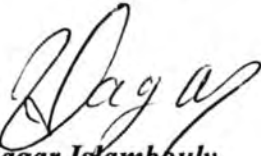
Let me convey to you that Mrs. Mubarak have expressed flexibility in her schedule to accommodate Mrs. Clinton's calander, to present her with this high esteemed award.

As you know, both First Ladies joined efforts at the international level to promote children's rights and women's issues. They both have committed themselves to advocate and promote social welfare and human rights not only in Egypt and the United States, but at the global level through different United Nations Conferences and activities.

I hope you can work out the possible dates for such a big event in San Francisco, to highlight the strategic nature of the relations between our two countries.

Looking forward to hearing from you about the available specific dates of Mrs. Clinton's schedule to convey it to Mrs. Mubarak as to prepare the schedule of her visit to San Francisco accordingly.

Sincerely yours,


Hagar Islambouly
Consul General

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 6, 2000

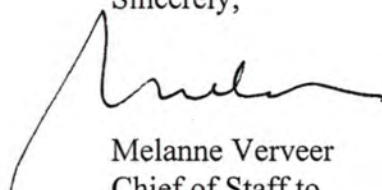
Ann Pincus
Director of Research, Bureau of Intelligence & Research
Department of State
2201 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20520

Dear Ann:

Thank you for the copies of the reports on democracy and democratic institutions as expressed by the people in the countries you surveyed. I have shared the report with colleagues here and at the State Department with whom we have worked on the Vital Voices Democracy Initiative.

Hope you had a happy holiday and very best wishes to you and Walter for the New Year!

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



United States Department of State

Washington, D.C. 20520

December 15, 1999

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

Dear Melanne:

Per our conversation last night at Kay Graham's, here is the report that Bob Oakley was talking about. I have also enclosed an earlier version of the report so that you can compare the findings in both. In my view, these survey questions about democracy, democratic institutions and trust in government help track where publics are in developing democratic societies. And it is always interesting to learn what aspects of democracy are most important in specific countries.

If you have any questions, please let me know. We would be happy to brief you on the implications of these findings. In the meantime, I hope you will have the chance to put your feet up and relax over this holiday season!

Best regards,

Ann Pincus
Director of Research
Bureau of Intelligence and Research

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 20, 2000

Miss Courtney N. Pyle
1826 Little Bear Ct.
Longmont, CO 80501

Dear Courtney:

Thank you for your interest in the Office of the First Lady and my role as the First Lady's Chief of Staff. Enclosed is an article from George Magazine that illustrates the range of issues I have worked on for the First Lady.

Enclosed also is a copy of Mrs. Clinton's bio and my own; I hope they are useful to you for your class exercise. I would also suggest you go to the First Lady's section on the White House web page at www.whitehouse.gov, which holds detailed information about our office, and issues that are important to the First Lady.

Very best wishes in your project.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Melanne', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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Courtney Pyle
1826 Little Bear Ct.
Longmont, CO 80501

The Honorable Melanne Verveer,
Chief of staff to the First Lady
1600 Pennsylvania Ave.
NW 20500

Dear Ms. Verveer:

I am writing this letter in hopes that I might learn more about you and your position as chief of staff to the first lady. I am a senior in high school and I am currently taking speech/government. I have chosen to role play you for the government section of this class. Any information that you could send me that might help would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,
~~Courtney Pyle~~
Courtney N. Pyle

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

February 7, 2000

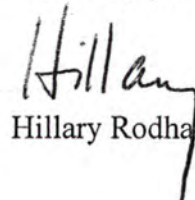
Dear Carlos,

I am so sorry that I cannot be with you as your colleagues and friends gather to say goodbye and to wish you Godspeed.

You have served your country with distinction in not one, but two critical assignments at the NSC. In fact, it wasn't long after you were to leave your first important job that you were summoned back for an even more significant assignment. And although your hours have been long and your challenges great, your counsel has always been well informed and your commitment exceptional. You have always recognized the importance of civil society and grassroots democracy building, and you have understood the important role that social development programs play in the achievement of our foreign policy goals.

We wish you all the best as you move to yet another challenging assignment for your country.

Sincerely yours,


Hillary Rodham Clinton

THE WHITE HOUSE
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February 18, 2000

Mr. Edoardo Pasteur
Consigliere Delegato
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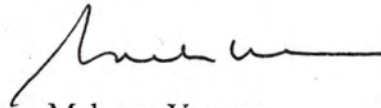
Dear Mr. Pasteur:

On behalf of the First Lady, thank you for your letter, the beautiful book, and honorary membership in the Italian Environmental Fund.

Protecting the environment, promoting the arts, and preserving history is an important mission for all of us. Mrs. Clinton has asked me to convey her appreciation and best wishes.

All the best.

Sincerely,

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Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady



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AMBASCIATA D'ITALIA
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Unofficial Translation

Letter from the Chairman of the Italian Environmental Fund addressed to
the First Lady of the United States of America

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"Milan, October 20, 1999

Dear Mrs. Clinton,

I wish to extend my most sincere appreciation for your enthusiastic support of the goals of the Italian Environmental Fund (FAI), and I hope that you will accept the enclosed Honorary Membership card.

It is the knowledge that there are persons such as yourself which gives us the courage and faith needed to pursue the mission of the Italian Environmental Fund: protection and care of small and large segments of the Italian landscape, whether these be monuments, works of art, historic structures, beautiful gardens or coastline tracts. We are confident that as an Honorary Member you will continue to support us by sharing and disseminating the goals of the Fund.

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Again, please accept my appreciation together with my most cordial wishes.

Edoardo Pasteur /sgnd/
Chairman"



The Ambassador

*Embassy of Italy
Washington*

February 8, 2000

Dear Melanne,

I have the pleasure to transmit a letter addressed to the First Lady from Mr. Edoardo Pasteur, Chairman of the Italian Environmental Fund (FAI), together with a gift publication.

You will see that the original letter contains an Honorary Membership in the Fund, and an unofficial translation is also enclosed for ready reference.

I thank you even now for your courtesy in bringing these elements to the attention of the First Lady and, as always, you have my personal best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Ferdinando Salleo

Ms. Melanne Verveer
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Milano, 20 ottobre 1999



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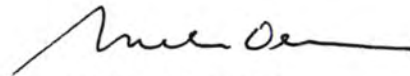
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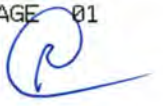
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Dear Melanne,

Following your support and assistance in obtaining the First Lady's Greeting to the IPRLS' Conference on Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors, New England Sinai Hospital, Stoughton, MA, July 13, 1999, allow me share with you our plans to invite Honorable Mrs. Hillary Clinton to participate at the International Conference **"Hockey-on-Prostheses. A tribute to Landmine Survivors,"** St. Petersburg Center for Occupational Expertise, Rehabilitation and Prosthetics, St. Petersburg, Russia.

The two days conference will coincide with the Ice Hockey World Championship, April 29 - May 14. A centerpiece of the conference is a US-Russian Hockey-on-Prostheses Match, when a team of American amputees will play with "St. Petersburg Elks," a team of Russian amputees, mostly landmine survivors after the wars in Afghanistan, Nagorny Karabakh and Chechnya.

The team was organized by the IPRLS in September, 1999 as a further development of the program "US-Russian Prosthetic Rehabilitation Bridge" you are aware of. In December 1999, "St. Petersburg Elks" came to Boston and played the first in the World hockey-on-prostheses match at Tsongas Ice Arena, Lowell, MA (please kindly review the report in photographs being attached). The event was supported by the Governor's and the Mayor's Offices and the Ambassador Yuri Ushakov of The Russian Federation. Associated Press has covered the match internationally (copy of AP article is also attached for your kind attention).

The US-Russian rematch in St. Petersburg is aimed to

1. promote the Hockey-on-Prostheses as a new sport for Paralympics in addition to

- Sled Hockey, which will give a new hope and dignity to landmine survivors around the World;
2. To demonstrate performance of American prosthetic technologies and their advantages for landmine survivors ("St. Petersburg Elks" are using the new American Free-Flow (Rolling Joint) prostheses developed by the Ohio Willow Wood with the NIH support);
 3. To speed up renovation of the International Prosthetic Rehabilitation Center for Children in St. Petersburg (report in photographs is also attached).

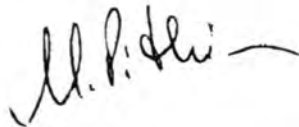
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Participation of Mrs. Hillary Clinton will give a new dimension to the international efforts to deliver assistance to landmine survivors, especially civilians and children. That purely humanitarian and nonpolitical enterprise would pave the road for more close collaboration between US and Russia in other important areas of mutual interests. The timing and association with Hockey World Championship will provide a natural ability to deliver Mrs. Clinton's message(s) to the Planet, as well as her patriotic support for the American Teams both able bodied and amputee.

Thus, Melanne, we would appreciate it very much if you could assist us in this endeavor.

Please let me know if we can provide you with any further information. On behalf of the "US-Russian Prosthetic Rehabilitation Bridge" staff, the children amputees and the amputee hockey teams, thank you in advance for you kind consideration of this important matter.

Sincerely,



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Encl. Illustrative materials.



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US-Russian Hockey-on-Prostheses Match

Tsongas Ice Arena, Lowell, MA, December 04, 1999

Report in Photographs

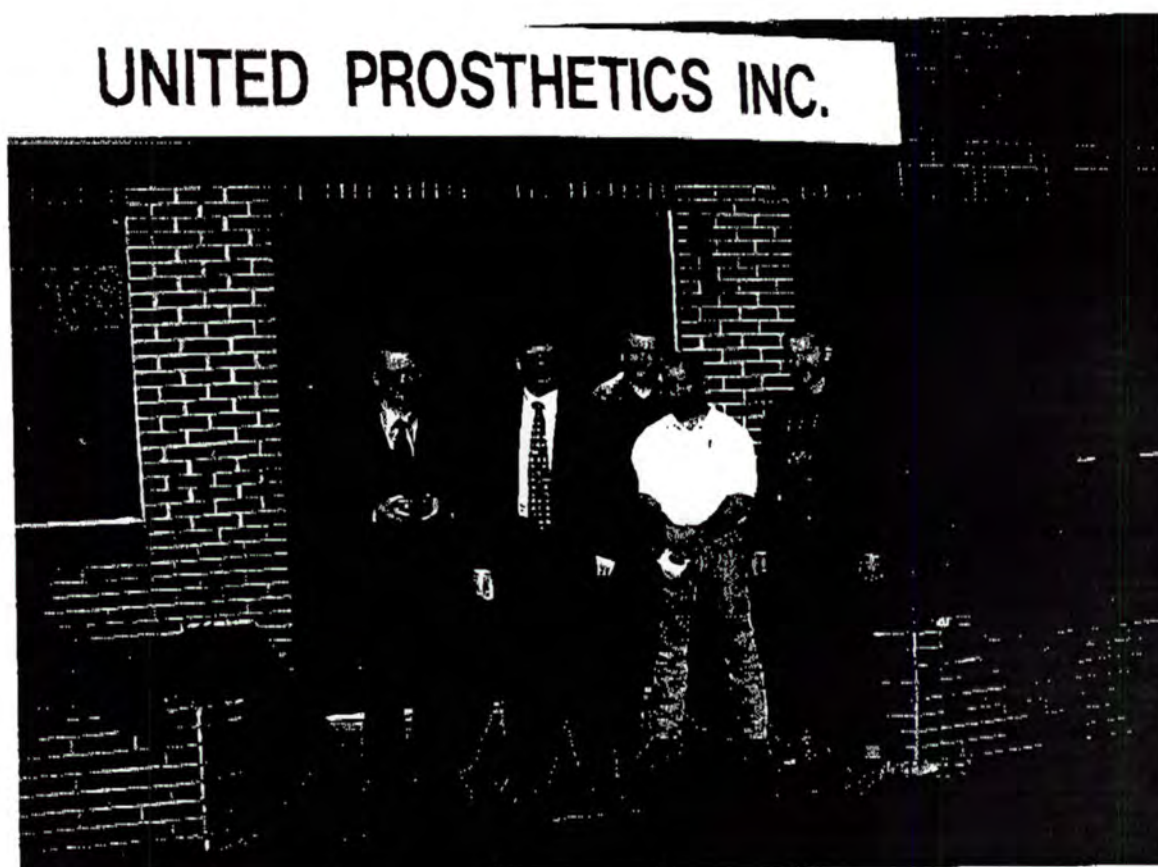


Figure 1. Before the game, the Ohio Willow Wood Co. sent the new Free-Flow (Rolling Joint) prosthetic feet to the United Prosthetic, Inc., for Russian players. Left-to-right: Kostantin Scherbina, MD, Director of Prosthetics, St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics; Pavel Soltan, Member of Legislative Assembly of St. Petersburg, quadrilateral amputee; Yaroslav Troshkin, Russian Army Veteran, landmine survivor in Nagorny Karabakh, hockey player; Greig Martino, CPO, Vice President, United Prosthetics, Inc.; Nilokai Knyazev, Russian Army Veteran, landmine survivor in Afghanistan, hockey player. *December 01, 1999.*



Figure 2. Greig Martino, CPO, adjusts the Free-Flow Foot for Alexei Balakhontsev. Alexei, a landmine survivor after the war in Afghanistan, was the first Russian amputee, who tested the Free-Flow Foot in June 1998 during the First IPRLS International Conference on Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors, New England Sinai Hospital, Stoughton, MA. This fall, he and his comrades joined the Amputee Hockey on Prostheses Team formed in St. Petersburg, Russia by the IPRLS.



Figure 3. Alexei Balakhontsev and Nikolai Knyazev In the Locker Room before the game, December 04, 1999.



Figure 4. St. Petersburg Elks greet the US team before the match, December 04, 1999, Tsongas Ice Arena, Lowell, MA.

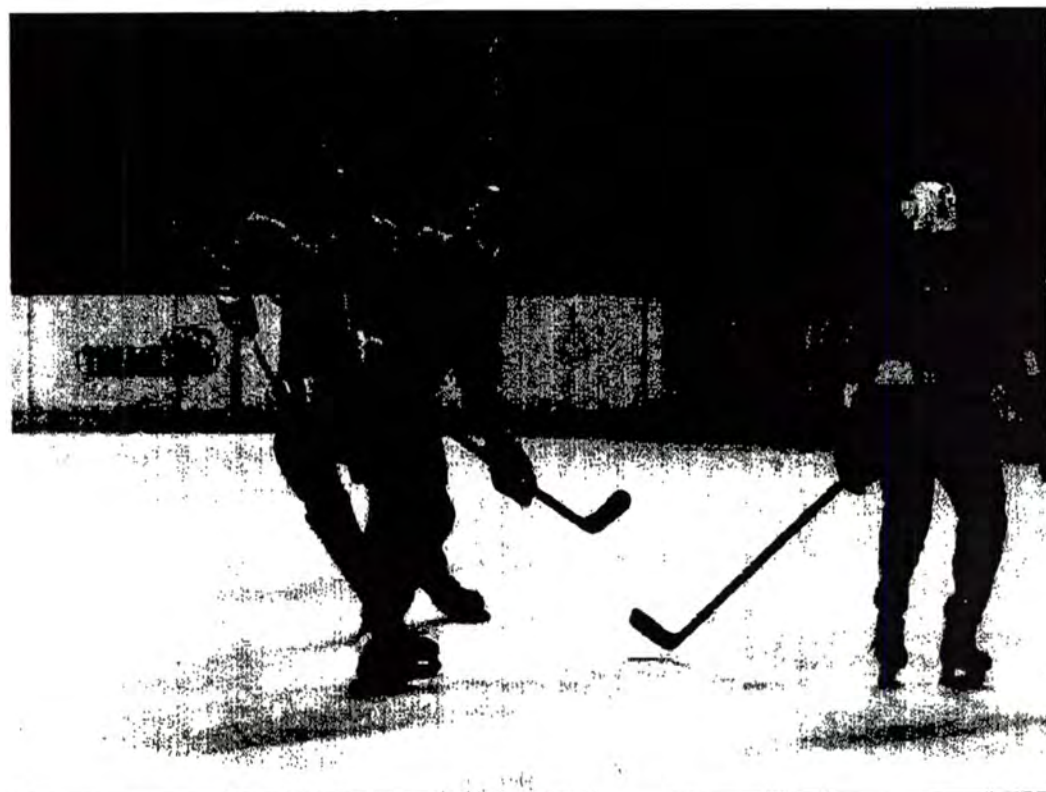


Figure 5. The game.

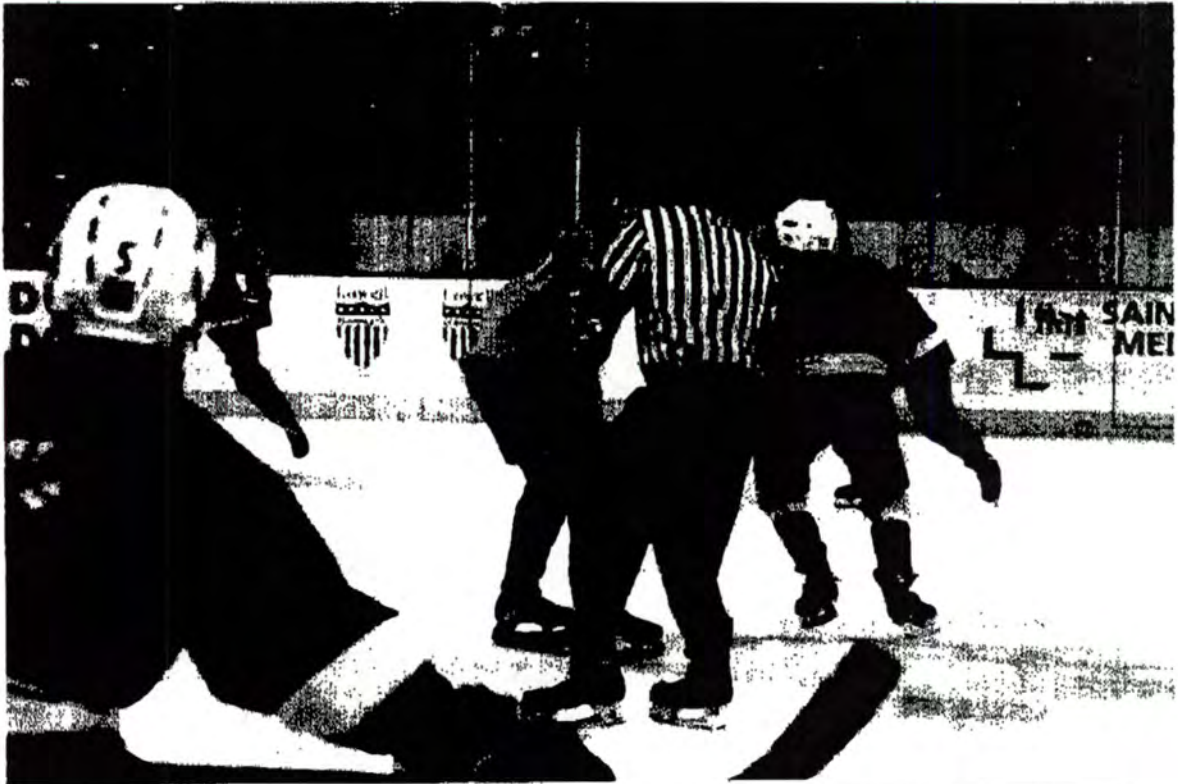


Figure 6. Since the "St. Petersburg Elks" was the only team-on-prostheses in the World at that time, players from US-Postal Service Team of Boston kindly agreed to play against Russians on December 04, 1999.



Figure 7. Autographs for the fans after the match.



Figure 8. After the US-Russian Hockey-on-Prostheses match, Dec. 04, 1999, Tsongas Ice Arena, Lowell, MA. Standing from left-to right: The "St. Petersburg Elks" players and Mike Brito, coach of US National Sled Hockey Team; Nikolai Maslov, coach of "St. Petersburg Elks;" Dale Wise, President, "Boston Blades," a Sled Hockey team, hosting the "St. Petersburg Elks;" Mrs. and Dr. Pitkin; , Attaché Boris Marchuk, Embassy of the Russian Federation; Captain Zakhar Vasilchenko, Naval Attaché, , Embassy of the Russian Federation, Washington, DC; Pavel Soltan, Member, Legislative Assembly of St. Petersburg, Russia. Sitting from l-r: David Crandell, MD, US National Team Physician; Stephen Spinetto, Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities, City of Boston, Vietnam War Veteran; Kostantin Scherbina, MD, Director of Prosthetics, St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics, Russia.



Figure 9. Outcomes of the match and further plans of the IPRLS were discussed at Department of State with James Lawrence, Director for Partnership Programs (right) and John Stevens, Office of the President's Special Representative for Global Humanitarian Demining (left).



Figure 10. US-Russian Hockey-on-Prostheses Rematch and inclusion of the new sport in Paralympics were discussed by Jerry White (right), Director, Landmine Survivors Network, Washington, DC, and Mark Pitkin, Ph.D., Director of the IPRLS. *December 10, 1999.*



Figure 11. Performance of the new Free-Flow (Rolling Joint) Prosthetic Foot and Ankle being tested by Russian Hockey-on-Prostheses Team during US-Russian match in Lowell, MA, December 04, 1999, was a subject of a meeting at NIH, December 09, 1999. The prosthesis results from collaborative project supported by Sandia National Laboratories / Department of Energy, Dr. Morton Lieberman (first left); NIH, Dr. Yvonne Maddox, Deputy Director, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (second left); The Ohio Willow Wood Company and Tufts University, Dr. Mark Pitkin (third right) and Nuclear Physics Center of Russian Federation, Dr. Nikolai Bruykhov (second right).

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Russians get a miracle on ice to call their own

By Jimmy Golen, Associated Press,
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LOWELL, Mass. (AP) Sergei Bestoujev turns a wobbly pirouette as the puck goes by, using his stick for balance as he struggles to stay upright. When he realizes he's not going to fall, he breaks into a broad smile that even more than his shaky skating reveals him to be a novice.

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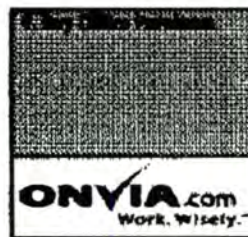
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The victims of three landmines, a gunshot and a train, the St. Petersburg Elks won't remind anyone of the Soviet hockey machine that dominated international play into the 1980s. For now, though, their proficiency on prosthetics is unmatched.

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one reason for their trip is to find an opponent for an exhibition at the hockey World Championships in St. Petersburg next spring. The ultimate goal, Pitkin said, is to establish teams on three continents and have amputee hockey declared an official sport at the Paralympics.

"It's the first team in the world, because, scientifically, no one could say (before) that it's possible to skate," said Dr. Konstantin Scherbina, of the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics.

"I could prove it," said Nikolai Knyazev, who had not been able to skate since losing his leg to a landmine in Afghanistan 15 years ago. "The answer is: 'Yes. It's possible.'"

Knyazev tightened his laces, stood on his skates and leaned on his foam, metal and carbon fiber right leg to give it one final test before he headed out of the locker room. Dressed in donated equipment with skates sometimes secured to prosthetics by duct tape the Elks played a 10-minute exhibition between periods of a college game at Lowell's Tsongas Arena.

A team of able-bodied postmen graciously held back as the Russians with an assist from their coach, a former Soviet junior star, and a borrowed goaltender stumbled up and down the ice. The few thousand fans who had come to see UMass-Lowell play New Hampshire were supportive, but they may not have understood what they were watching.

"Go, Russian Dude!" 8-year-old Ethan Williams, of Dover, N.H., yelled at the players. Then, turning to his father, he asked, "How come they're going so slow?"

The answer left both of them stunned.

"You can't even tell," Willie Williams said.

And that means skating upright.

"Athletics is a way of self-expression, especially for a disabled person," said Pavel Soltan, a quadruple amputee and a member of the St. Petersburg Legislative Assembly who has supported the team politically. "They can prove to themselves and everyone that despite a problem, they are persons with the same abilities, and they don't want to limit themselves."

The players had few limits on this trip.

Before their exhibition in Lowell, they took a six-hour tour of Boston the New England Aquarium, the Italian neighborhood known as the North End, Paul Revere's house. After the game, they invited everyone back to their hotel for a vodka party.

"They're getting people out of their wheelchairs," said Mike Welsch, an amputee who has run in the Boston Marathon but said it never occurred to him that he might be able to skate before he came to see the exhibition. "Seeing these guys, it's just amazing."

In 1985, Andrei Vlasov was advancing over a hill with the Soviet peacekeeping forces in Afghanistan when he stepped on an antipersonnel landmine that blew apart his right leg. He had only two weeks left to go in the service.

"You can imagine what I was thinking," he said. "I was lying in the hospital for two months. When I realized all the challenges facing me, that was the lowest point."

Vlasov said he is playing as a tribute to all of the medics over the past 15 years who literally helped him get back on his feet.

One question remained, after the exhilaration of the sightseeing and the exhibition and the

vodka party: Why, if the players had one leg made of carbon fiber and metal and foam, do they wear two shinguards?

"Because they feel like able-bodied people," Pitkin said. "They don't want to be thought of as disabled."

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In fact, the players have only been skating since September, and most of them had only been wearing their new, high-tech legs with an artificial ankle that makes skating possible for two days.

"A month ago, people were falling down," said Pitkin, who developed the "rolling joint foot" at New England Sinai Hospital and Rehabilitation Center.

Nikolai Maslov, who toured with a Soviet junior team in the mid-1970s and carries with him a puck signed by Bobby Hull and Maurice Richard, was coaching the professional team CKA in St. Petersburg when he heard the amputees could use a little help.

"I found from day one fantastic attitudes and willingness to do the work," said Maslov the "Security Service Tornado," according to a button he likes to show. "When I came the first day for the first practice, some of them couldn't skate at all. They were holding the boards."

Maslov leads the team in practice three times a week, and the players skate for three hours on their own the other days more for rehabilitation than to learn the neutral zone trap. Maslov's biggest problem may be keeping his players from checking too hard.

"They want not only to skate," he said. "They want to fight full-contact hockey."

Previously, the only hockey available for an amputees had been sled hockey, where a player sits on a platform above double-runners while propelling himself with two small hockey sticks that double as oars. Sled hockey is already in the Paralympics.

But these players, who were fortunate to be able to keep their knees even as they lost part of their legs, want the full hockey experience.



IPRLS progress report and plans shown in photographs

Prosthetic Rehabilitation Center for Children (PRCC), St. Petersburg, Russia



Figure 1. Main building of the original compound of St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics, B. Sampsonievsky Prospect, 11. Renovation of the compound aimed to open a Prosthetic Rehabilitation Center for Children is continuing



Figure 2. Dr. Anatoly Keyer, Director of St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics, in the lobby of the main building of a Children Center, August 31, 1999

First patients under the program "US-Russian Prosthetic Rehabilitation Bridge"

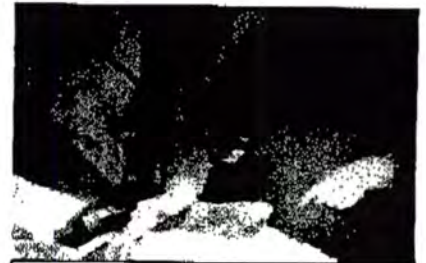
November 20, 1998

Patient: Gennadiy Morozov

Age: 10 years

Sex: M

Diagnosis: Transfemoral amputation of right leg (upper 1/3), and amputation on right forearm due to land mine explosion.



Reconstructive operation on right stump to remove painful neuroma and overgrowing bone.



Stump after operation



Gait training after operation



Gait with unfinished prosthesis



Gait with finished prostheses



Before discharge from St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics

Marina Sgoeva, landmine victim after terrorist attack in Vladikavkaz



Marina at the time of admission

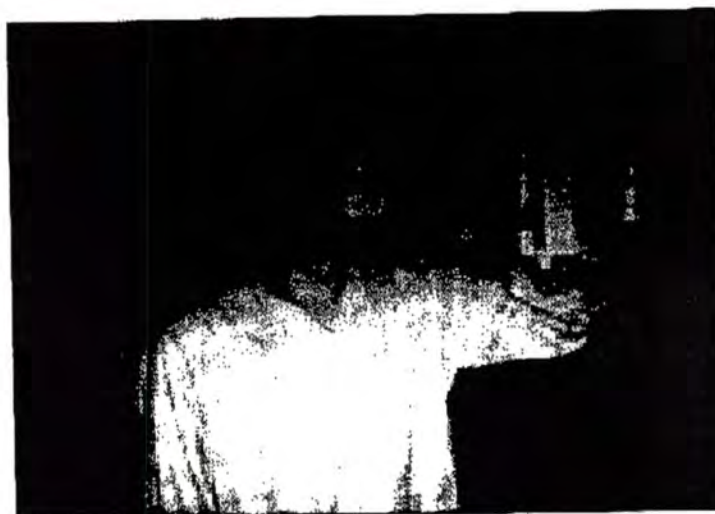


Marina with a new prosthesis after her operation

Mazurchuk brothers, landmine victims from Vladivostok, received medical treatment and prosthetic service in St. Petersburg.



Mazurchuk brothers at the time of admission to St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics



Force analysis with new prosthetic device



Biomechanical evaluation of a new prosthesis

Waiting List

Children, landmine victims due to terrorist attacks in Vladikavkaz and Nazran, on the IPRLS waiting list for reconstructive surgery and prosthetic rehabilitation at the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics.



Aleksei Balakhontsev, landmine survivor during war in Afghanistan. Participated at the First IPRLS International Conference on Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors, June 04, 1998, New England Sinai Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, Stoughton, MA. Tested experimental Rolling Joint Foot, and became the first Russian patient, wearing that prosthesis.



Preparations for Gait Study at New England Sinai Hospital



Demonstration of the Rolling Joint Foot at the Conference, June 04, 1998



Alexei with the Rolling Joint Foot at the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics, January 10, 1999

Massachusetts in Focus

New England Sinai Hospital in Stoughton, Massachusetts, was the site of the Second International Symposium for the Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors. Sponsored by New England Sinai Hospital and Rehabilitation Center and Tufts University School of Medicine, the symposium brought together experts from around the world to review the achievements of a unique program developed and supported by the International Institute for the Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors (IPRLS), which treats and rehabilitates amputee landmine victims with medical complications.

Through the IPRLS and its partner, the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics in Russia, landmine victims are treated using the latest technology. Under the partnership, the US manufactures the prosthetics, while the Russian institute's physicians supply the surgical and rehabilitation component. This way, amputee victims receive the appropriate treatment needed for maximum functioning, delivered in the most cost-effective manner. The cost for the entire procedure when performed in Russia is no more than \$3,500 per person. The same treatment in the US has been estimated at \$25,000.

Mark Pitkin, PhD, assistant professor at Tufts University School of Medicine and director of the Center for Human Performance at New England Sinai, is the

founder of the IPRLS. His interest in starting such an institute was sparked by a notice from the World Health Organization alerting the world to the problem of landmines. At the time, Pitkin, who had trained at the St. Petersburg institute, was working on a rolling joint prosthetic foot that simulates the movement of a real foot. He soon conceived the plan for the IPRLS. "After only one and a half years, the program is beginning to yield results," he said. "We have four children and three adults fully and successfully rehabilitated. The rehabilitated include an Afghanistan war veteran, a Russian army veteran, and a Chechnya war victim."

A focal point of this year's meeting was a presentation by Valery Kudryavtsev, MD, director of biomechanics at the St. Petersburg institute, on the feasibility and need for an amputee Children's Center within the St. Petersburg facility. A building currently exists within the institute that can be renovated to house the Children's Center. Kudryavtsev will submit his proposal to the World Bank for funding for the renovations, and hopes for a decision within the year. Already, UNICEF has accepted a proposal for the Children's Center. "If funded," Pitkin commented, "the center could provide treatment and rehabilitation for up to 500 children with amputations and who require surgery as part of their rehabilitation."

Landmine Survivors Symposium Promotes Awareness, Seeks Funds

Attracting nearly 60 attendees, mostly physicians seeking new techniques, the symposium provided insight on some of the political and economic issues as well as expanded on the medical and technological components of treating amputee landmine survivors. Looking at many of the issues facing landmine survivors, Tehnaz Dastoor, UNICEF Emergency Programmes, and Jane Schuster, MD, Karp Professor of Podiatry, Tufts University School of Medicine, highlighted the plight of child landmine victims and focused on their special needs.

Speaking from the amputee perspective, Jerry Pitkin, director of the Landmine Survivors Center in Washington, DC, spoke on the role of peer support in coping with limb loss; and Peter Thomas, general counsel of the National Assistance for Advancement in Orthotics and Prosthetics, discussed appropriate vs. low cost prosthetic technologies.

The Russian delegation included Dr. Anatoly Keyer, director of the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics, and two St. Petersburg legislators who talked about Russian governmental assistance to landmine survivors and the legislative initiatives to the landmine problem.

From the US, Morton Lieberman, PhD, of Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque, NM, discussed the use of Russian weapons technology for humani-

tarian purposes including the research and development of advanced prosthetic devices. Representatives of Sandia and Ohio Willow Wood Co., a prosthetic manufacturing company that holds the patent on Pitkin's prosthetic foot, are working with researchers at Chelyabinsk-70, a nuclear weapons laboratory in Russia, to test and improve the foot. Pitkin believes his rolling joint foot and other new prosthetic elements will become key components in the treatment and rehabilitation of landmine victims.

Under the prosthetics components and technologies portion of the symposium, Yeongchi Wu, MD, director of research at the Center for International Rehabilitation in Chicago, lead a discussion of postoperative and pre-prosthetic care of transtibial and Syme amputations using removable rigid dressing. William Hanson, managing director at Liberty Technology in Hopkinton, MA, discussed economical and mechanical prostheses for upper extremities.

Speaking on current issues and techniques in the medical rehabilitation of landmine survivors, John Bowker, MD, professor of orthopedics and rehabilitation at the University of Miami, discussed preserving the knee joint in transtibial amputation due to severe trauma. Wim Wertheim, MD, LTC, of the Royal Netherlands Army, talked about military medical care in recent operations of the Royal Netherlands Army. ■

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Thanks for your prompt reply to my e-mail.
Regards - Shreela
(Peimera) ☺

Russian amputees game to play on ice

The Associated Press
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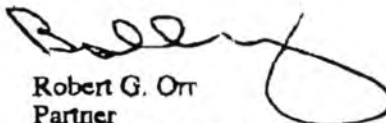
Dear Dr. Pitkin:

Thank you for presenting a review of the excellent work your group has done to enhance the lives of Russian landmine victims by introducing them to the great game of hockey with the use of prosthetics and rehabilitation.

I understand how important it is for an athlete to share in a sport he loves regardless of physical impairment. It satisfies the soul and gives a sense of normality that sometimes only the participation in sport can provide.

I wish you continued success with your program. I think it is of great importance to these special athletes, and they are lucky to have your dedication and perseverance to assist them. You have done a wonderful job in allowing these men to regain their legs and their dignity.

Sincerely,



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April 23, 1998

Honorable Madeleine Albright
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U.S. Department of State
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Washington, DC 20520

Dear Secretary Albright:

I am writing on behalf of my constituent, Dr. Mark Pitkin, a researcher at Tufts University School of Medicine. He, along with his organization, is proposing a multi-national prosthesis program to assist victims of land mines, and is seeking aid to launch and fund the effort. I am forwarding information about his proposal for your perusal.

Millions of uncleared, unexploded land mines plague large numbers of developing nations around the globe, maiming and killing hundreds of thousands of civilians. Those who do survive are often left in need of prosthetic rehabilitation, yet cannot find access to or afford this treatment. There has been much attention paid to the victims of land mines in the last several months. However, much more needs to be done to help them. Dr. Pitkin's organization, the International Institute for Prosthetic Rehabilitation of the Land Mine Survivors (IPRLS) has submitted a proposal that would create a "bridge" between the United States and Russia in order to address this issue. This link would allow victims of land mines to receive treatment in Russian Amputee Clinics, whose prosthetic components would come from the United States.

This program would benefit all parties involved. Primarily, the victims of land mines would have the opportunity to alleviate some of the hardship they have experienced by receiving prostheses. In addition, researchers and manufacturers of these components in the United States would be served by a growing market for these products. Moreover, the Russian community and economy would profit from the developments of the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics and the ability to help relieve the aftermath of the Afghan and Chechen wars. And finally, the world community as a whole would gain by reducing this worldwide humanitarian problem.

My office has forwarded Dr. Pitkin's proposal to the United Nations in order to inform them of its potential for helping victims across the world. The UN has, in turn, forwarded it several units, including the UN Development Programme, UNICEF, the Department of Peacekeeping Operations, and the World Health Organization. It is my hope that these offices will be able to help Dr. Pitkin with this project.

I urge that every consideration be given to this project. Any assistance you may be able to offer Dr. Pitkin with the development of this worthwhile project would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Suzanne Morse in my Boston office at (617) 565-3170. Thank you for your prompt consideration of this proposal.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,



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Amputee athletes get back in the game

Russians use
new prosthetics
to play hockeyBy Jimmy Golon
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By Jimmy Golden
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Valor on ice

Russian amputees prove their point on U.S. tour

By JIMMY GOLEN
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Amputee hockey player Nikolai Knyazev lost his right leg to a landmine in Afghanistan 15 years ago.

The IPRLS Battles On

by Greg Thompson



The International Institute for Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors has the lofty goal of providing reconstructive surgery and prosthetic management to victims of land-mine trauma around the world.

Long after the wars are over, the battles to repair land-mine carnage rage on. Most victims of land mines die. The survivors are left disfigured and far from advanced medical care. The World Health Organization estimates that at least 250,000 victims are currently awaiting prosthetic rehabilitation. The International Campaign to Ban Landmines notes that land mines cannot distinguish between the footfall of a soldier and that of a child, and they can be triggered long after treaties are signed and wars are over.

Mark Pitkin, PhD, saw the enormity of the problem and decided to take the first step of a long and daunting journey. In April 1998, he founded the International Institute for Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors (IPRLS). Pitkin is former director of the Russian Foot Biomechanics Laboratory at the St Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics, Russia. He currently directs the Center for Human Performance at the New England Sinai Hospital Rehabilitation Center, Stoughton, Mass, a teaching affiliate of Tufts University School of Medicine.

Lofty Goals

The mission of IPRLS is to treat the stump complications that make it difficult or impossible for a land-mine victim to wear a prosthesis. Pitkin estimates that more than half of all land-mine victims need some stump revision, combined with adequate prosthetic management, in order to function with an artificial limb. Residual limb problems include painful scars, excess soft tissue, osteomyelitis, and osteophytosis.

So far, IPRLS has focused most of its energies on victims in Pitkin's home country of Russia, but its goal is to provide reconstructive surgery and perfect-fit sockets to military and civilian land-mine victims throughout the world. A professional partnership with the St Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics forms the cornerstone of IPRLS' overseas efforts. "Last year there was just hope," Pitkin says. "This year, four children and three adults have been fully and successfully rehabilitated."

Among IPRLS' sponsors and supporters are the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); National Institutes of Health; Tekscan Inc, South Boston, Mass; Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, NM; Ohio Willow Wood (OWW), Mt Sterling, Ohio; and United Prosthetics Inc, Boston.

An IPRLS proposal to establish a prosthetic rehabilitation center for children (PRCC) in St Petersburg has been accepted by UNICEF, and an application for funding has been submitted to the World Bank. Pitkin expects the PRCC to provide integrated medical and prosthetic rehabilitation (including surgery) to an estimated 50 new amputees in its first year, 75 the second year, and 100 the year after.

Pitkin and others discussed the proposed PRCC at the Second IPRLS International Symposium for the Prosthetic Rehabilitation of Landmine Survivors in July 1999. The conference outlined many of the clinical and financial challenges faced by IPRLS.

"In preserving the knee joint following trauma resulting in transtibial amputation, it is of utmost importance to preserve all viable, uninfected tissue at the primary debridement, regardless of its configuration, for use in later reconstruction," said conference speaker John Bowker, MD, professor of orthopedics and rehabilitation, University of Miami, Florida. "This method will save maximum tibial length as well as sufficient muscle and skin for coverage of the bone with a stable soft tissue envelope."

Pitkin notes that patients may also present with healed transtibial residual limbs, which are difficult to fit prosthetically and may require surgical solutions. After surgery, patients

have various options including electric-microprocessor and body-powered systems. "Electric-microprocessor systems are generally not suitable for wet or dirty environments that could contaminate the electronics or affect the mechanisms," notes conference participant William J. Hanson, managing director, Liberty Technology, Hopkinton, Mass. "In settings where adequate technical support is not available, these complex systems should be avoided. In these cases, body-powered systems offer the greatest hope for a successful outcome."

A Learning Bridge

Within IPRLS, Pitkin developed a program called the US-Russian Prosthetic Rehabilitation Bridge to aid international efforts to rehabilitate land-mine survivors in Russia, the former Soviet Union republics, and neighboring countries. The idea is to combine US high-technology components with the skills of Russian surgeons and prosthetists. The program capitalizes on the lower cost of surgery and follow-up care in Russia.

Various companies have donated gel socket interfaces and free-flow feet (a prosthetic designed by Pitkin) to the program, and one corporate sponsor contributed pressure management systems that were installed at the St Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics. Generous sponsor support has allowed IPRLS to supply its Russian colleagues with prostheses and biomechanical equipment and to provide additional training for Russian prosthetists and researchers.

In the United States, the Center for Human Performance at the New England Sinai Hospital Rehabilitation Center serves as the American end of the US-Russian biomechanical bridge. Corporate sponsorship provides expertise, training, and facilities for visiting Russian prosthetists.

Weapons and Prosthetics

At first glance, Sandia National Laboratories and IPRLS may seem like a strange alliance because Sandia is known primarily for designing nonnuclear components for the nation's nuclear weapons. However, as a national security laboratory operated for the US Department of Energy, Sandia is also looking at ways to diminish the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

In both Russia and the United States, Sandia's Morton Lieberman, PhD, along with Pitkin, have helped weapons scientists and engineers find nonmilitary outlets for their talents. These efforts led to a 1997 study on Pitkin's rolling joint foot and ankle



(also known as free-flow feet). The study brought together Sandia, Tufts University School of Medicine, OWW, and Chelya binsk-70, a Russian weapons facility. The alliances formed during these studies made it possible to start IPRLS with a solid research foundation.

Funding

All funds raised by IPRLS are directed into two key spending areas. The first involves all aspects of patient rehabilitation in Russia, which includes transportation to the St Petersburg Institute, 8 to 12 weeks of hospitalization, physical therapy, and full prosthetic management. This process costs between \$3,500 and \$5,000 per patient. Operational costs for monitoring, equipment upgrades, and supplies typically amount to approximately \$8,500 per patient.

IPRLS is a tax-exempt, private organization. In its first year of existence, the institute succeeded in raising funds for surgical operations, patient transportation, training for Russian prosthetists, postsurgical rehabilitation, and prosthetic components. However, more financial support is needed. Pitkin hopes the orthopedic community will continue to pitch in, not only to IPRLS, but also to all the worthy organizations helping land-mine victims. For more information, contact Mark Pitkin, PhD, telephone (617) 636-5038; fax (617) 638-4872; email: mpitkin@lifefspan.org.

Greg Thompson is associate editor of Orthopedic Technology Review.

During a visit to the St. Petersburg Institute of Prosthetics in Russia, Harris Stone, chairman of the Board, New England Sinai Hospital and Rehabilitation Center, talks with Gene Mordvinov and his mother at the Institute's Museum of Prosthetics History. (Below) Mordvinov stands tall with his new prostheses.



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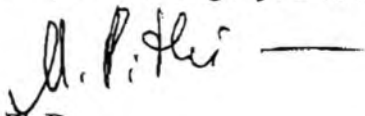
Dear Melanne,

Please find attached, a letter from Yuri, Ushakov, Ambassador of The Russian Federation to USA, and from seven members of The Legislative Assembly of St. Petersburg in support for the Hockey-on-Prostheses match and conference in St. Petersburg.

Regarding timing, it appears that US-Russian World Championship regular match of Group D has been scheduled for May 01, 2000, at the New Ice Palace, 8:30 PM. Imagine if American and Russian amputees will have their demonstration match during intermissions of that regular game.

I will try to call you later to get your thoughts on the matter.

Sincerely,



Mark Pitkin, Ph.D.
Director, IPRLS



AMBASSADOR
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TO THE USA

Mr. Mark Pitkin
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January 26, 2000

Dear Mr. Pitkin,

Thank you for your letter informing me about your efforts to help rehabilitation of land mine survivors. I would like to express our enthusiastic support for the objectives of your new project «Hockey on Prostheses: a New Sport as a Tribute to Land Mine Victims». We hope it would provide amputee hockey players an opportunity to participate in Winter Paralympics-2002 in Salt Lake City. But we view this project in a much broader sense than just an outstanding athletic endeavor. It has a great potential for amputees to regain their self-confidence and dignity as well as make governments and general public more aware of the complex problems of medical and socio-economic rehabilitation of land mine victims.

I was pleased to hear that the Russian-American Hockey-on-Prostheses match in Boston last December that you helped to organize was such a success and your efforts to bring the US National Team to St.Petersburg for a rematch later this year are, of course, to be applauded. On our part we will try our best to make this happen.

Please accept my most sincere gratitude for your dedication in support of the US-Russian Prosthetic Rehabilitation Bridge program as well as wishes for success in your hard and noble work.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Yuri Ushakov', with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

Yuri Ushakov

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Dear Mr. Fasel,

10th of May 2000 will be held the Russian-American Ice Hockey match between teams of disable people with artificial limbs (legs) in Saint Petersburg. This match will be held in a frame of the international program "Ice Hockey on Prosthetic Appliances". It will be time to the International Conference "Rehabilitation of Disable after Mine-fire Wounding. The Ice Hockey on Prosthetic Appliances: New Opportunities in Combination of Modern Prosthetic Appliances' Making and Sport" which will take place on 10-11th of May 2000 in Saint Petersburg.

This project is a brightest event in a sphere of rehabilitation of disable people and is a subject of an interest and attention of some scientific institutions, international organizations and social organizations of disable people.

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The parliamentarians of St. Petersburg Legislative Assembly are supporting this very important action. The Parliamentarians are sure that its implementation will make a valuable contribution to the development of the disable people medical and social rehabilitation system.

We would kindly request that you consider a possibility of "The Ice Hockey on Prosthetic Appliances" match's realization in frame of the World Championship on Ice Hockey in the Ice Palace of Saint Petersburg.

We wish to draw up your attention to the fact that it will be a demonstration match (match will last for 10 min.) and could be held before or after the main matches and also in the breaks between them.

Sincerely Yours,

Parliamentarians of the Legislative Assembly of Saint Petersburg:

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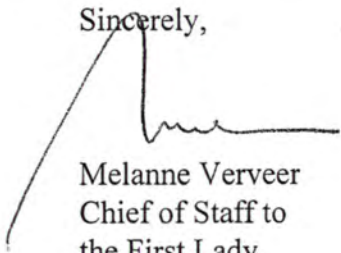
Dear Robert:

Thank you for your letter and warm wishes. It was
wonderful to be able to spend some time with you and Ellen.

I've discussed your invitation for the April 3 poetry
reading with our schedulers. Regrettably, it's unlikely that her
schedule will permit her to accept the kind invitation. But if
that should change we will let you know. I know she would
love it if she could come.

Thanks for your thoughtfulness to Elaina.

Sincerely,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

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February 9, 2000

Melanne Verveer
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The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Melanne,

Ellen and I truly enjoyed spending time with you on that memorable occasion in the previous century. I hope that Elaina has received her copy of *Americans' Favorite Poems*.

Enclosed is a letter to the First Lady inviting her to read a poem at our event on April 3. Bill Ivey will be reading one, and we will be proudly showing a few of the first Favorite Poem videos. I hope you may be there, too.

Very good wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "RA" or "Pinsky".

Robert Pinsky

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August 31, 2000

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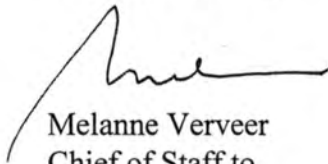
Dear Phil:

Thank you for sending the letter from the medical school chairs of pediatric departments about GME funding, which I have passed on to the President.

Having originally created this program to fund GME for children's hospitals, the Administration would obviously like to see it fully funded. I am confident we will do everything we can to get there this year.

It was a personal pleasure to hear from you again. I wish Elizabeth were still with us. This cause is our common cause. Let us hope that through our collective efforts this important goal can be achieved in the weeks ahead.

Very best wishes,



Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff to
the First Lady

August 25, 2000

Philip A. Pizzo, M.D.
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Dear Philip:

Thank you for forwarding the letter from the chairs of ~~children's teaching hospitals~~ about GME funding, which I have passed on to the President.

Ensuring children's hospitals have the resources they need to teach doctors is critical. I know the President appreciates you and your colleagues' leadership in bringing attention to this vital issue and will give it his full attention.

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July 25, 2000

Ms. Melanne Verveer
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Melanne:

I have a very special favor to ask of you. If there is any way possible, can you please bring the attached letter to the attention of the President today, Wednesday, July 26th? The future of training the pediatric work force is at stake. You will recall our previous discussions about this, including those with the First Lady.

I also want to send my very best personal regards to you. I remember all too well how wonderful you always were to Elizabeth Glaser. I am confident that she would have sought your help on the support for pediatric Graduate Medical Education since without that, future advances in pediatric AIDS and other important diseases will be compromised.

The attached letter is signed by the senior leaders in pediatrics regardless of whether they work at an independent Children's Hospital. They share a common voice in strongly advocating for increased financial support for pediatric GME. I hope you can help with this critically important issue.

Best personal regards,

Philip A. Pizzo, M.D.
Physician-in-Chief

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July 25, 2000

President William Clinton
White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. President:

As the chairs of pediatric departments in medical schools across this country, we are writing to urge your support in making equitable graduate medical education (GME) funding for children's hospitals a priority in the FY2001 Labor-HHS Appropriations bill.

With your leadership, and strong bipartisan support, Congress appropriated \$40 million for FY2000 children's hospitals GME in 1999. Shortly after the appropriations bill passed, Congress then enacted an authorization of \$285 million annually for the program with strong bipartisan support. The level of funding in the authorization would provide independent children's hospitals with federal funding comparable to the Medicare GME support provided to other teaching hospitals.

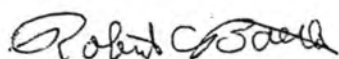
Congress has taken a critically needed first step in recognizing the contributions of these institutions in training our children's doctors. With the surplus even greater than ever expected, we respectfully ask that you build on this important beginning and provide a funding at full authorization so that independent children's hospitals' GME contributions may be treated equitably with other institutions.

This funding is essential not only to these pediatric academic medical centers but also to pediatrics overall. Because they care only for children, not the elderly, children's hospitals' are unable to qualify for significant support from the one reliable source of GME funding - Medicare. In an increasingly price-driven market place, that puts at risk their ability to sustain their core missions of caring for all children, teaching and research. It is a risk we cannot afford for the future of our pediatric workforce and advancements in children's care.

Although they represent less than one percent of all hospitals, these children's teaching hospitals train almost 30 percent of all pediatricians, almost half of pediatric specialists and two-thirds of pediatric critical care physicians. They are the major pipeline for future pediatric researchers, and they and their affiliated pediatric departments are among our nation's leading centers of pediatric research.

Equitable GME funding for children's hospitals is a sound investment in the future of pediatric medicine and children's health. Please provide a FY 2001 Labor-HHS-Appropriation for children's hospitals GME that moves as close as possible to the full authorization of \$285 million.

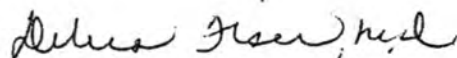
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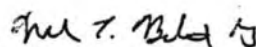
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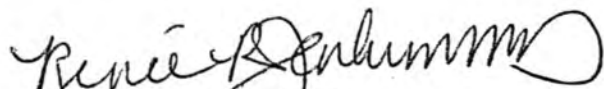
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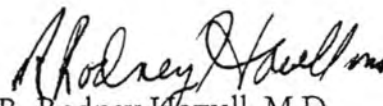
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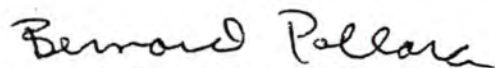
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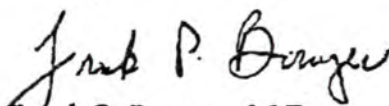
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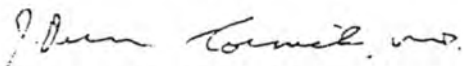
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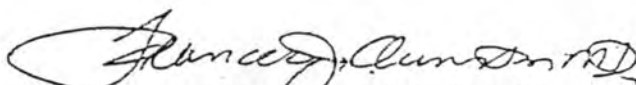
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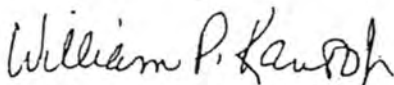
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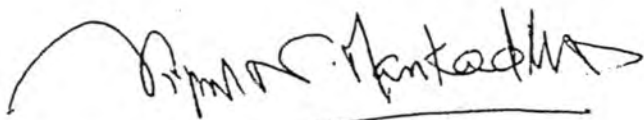
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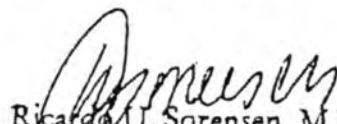
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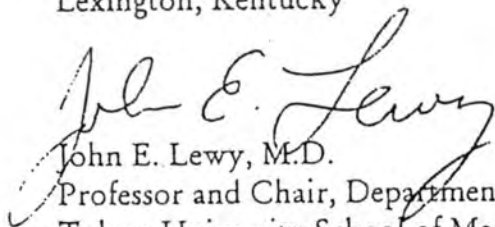
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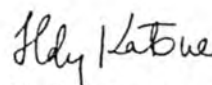
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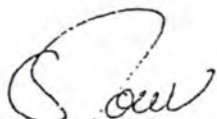
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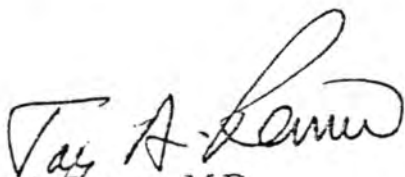
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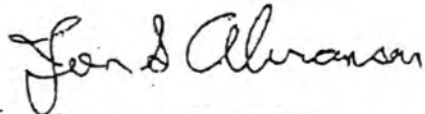
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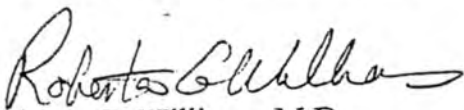
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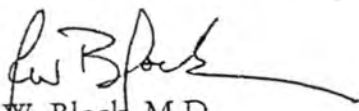
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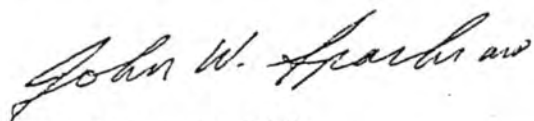
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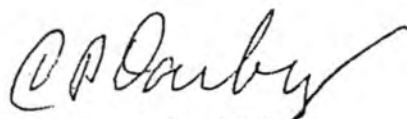
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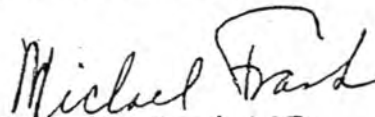
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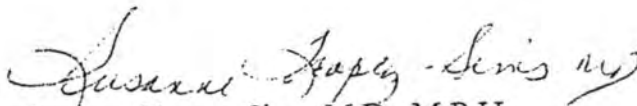
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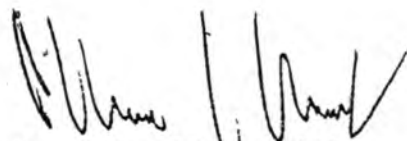
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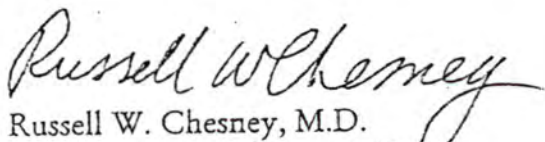
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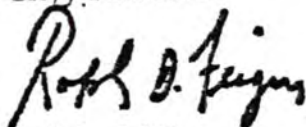
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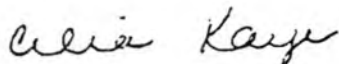
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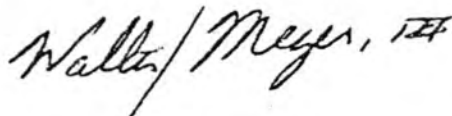
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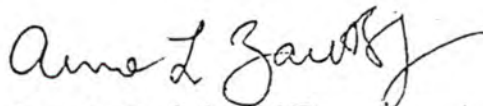
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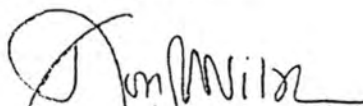
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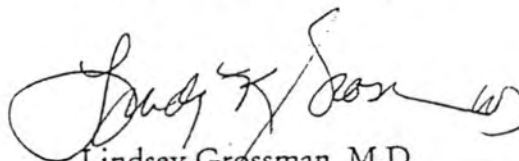
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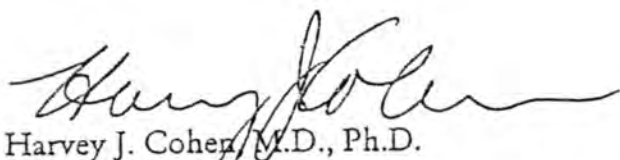
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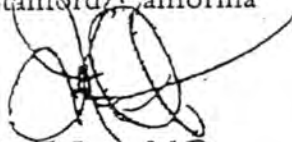
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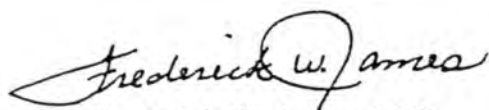
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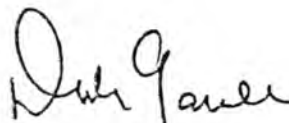
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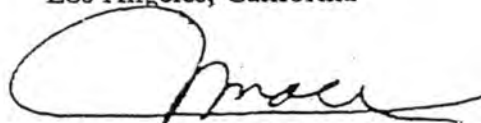
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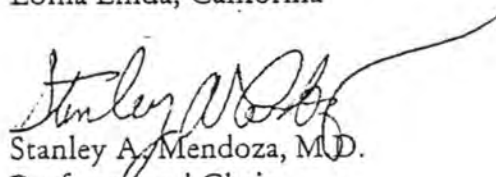
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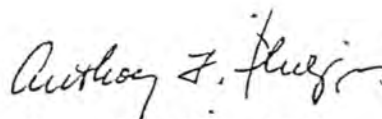
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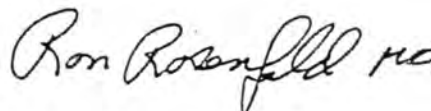
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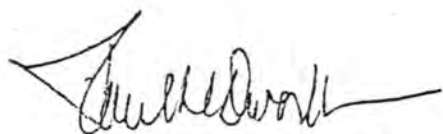
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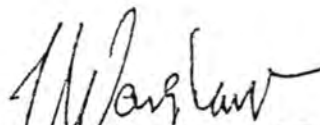
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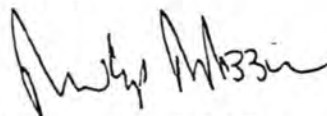
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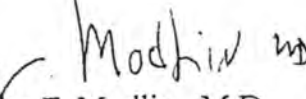
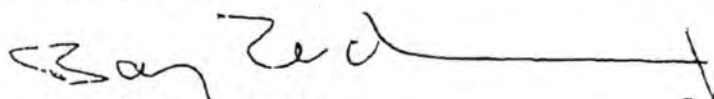
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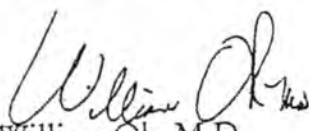


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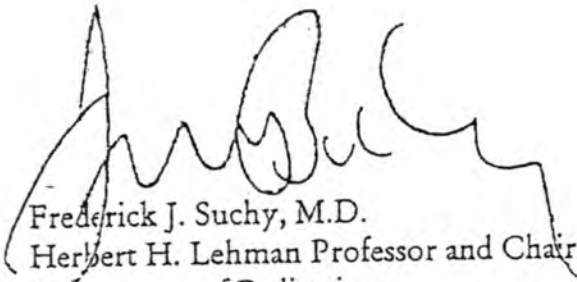
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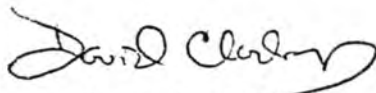
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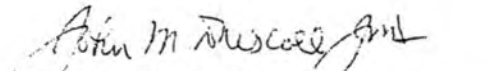
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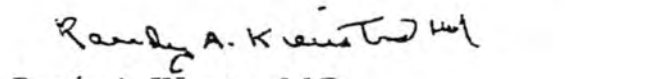
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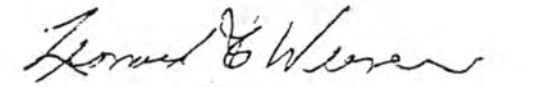
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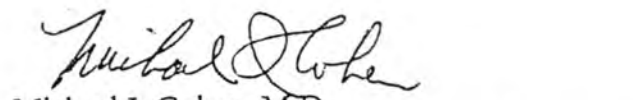
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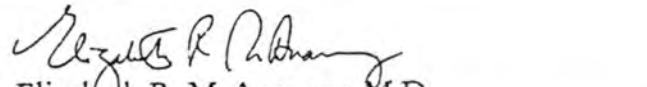
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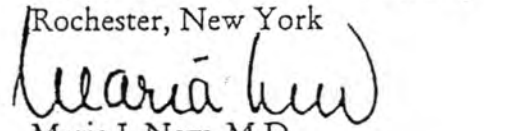
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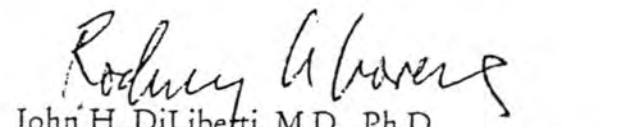
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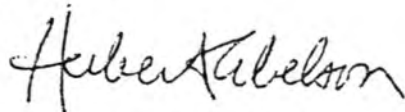
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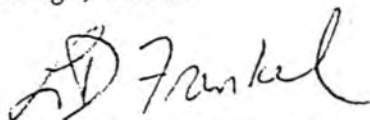
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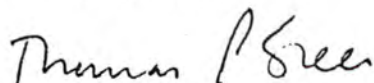
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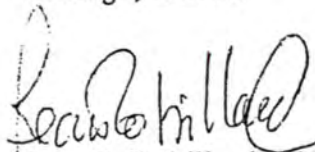
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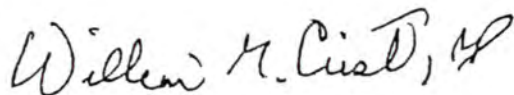
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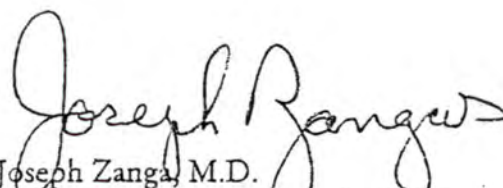
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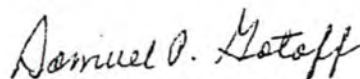
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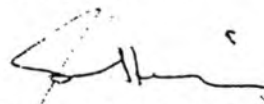
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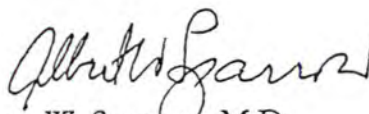
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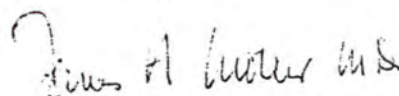
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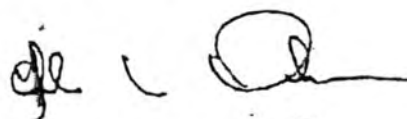
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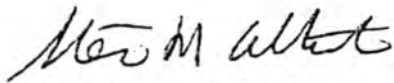
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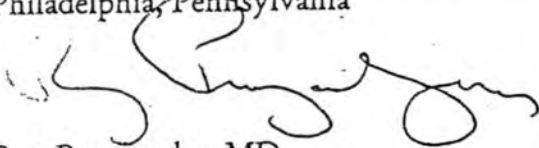
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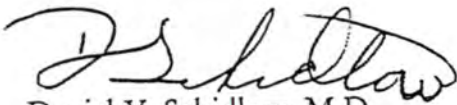
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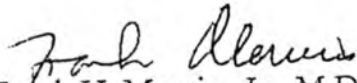
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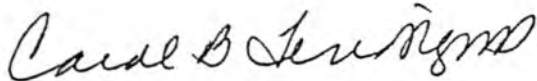
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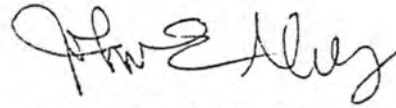
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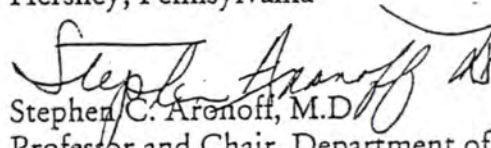
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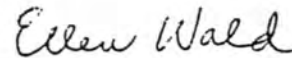
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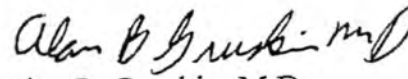
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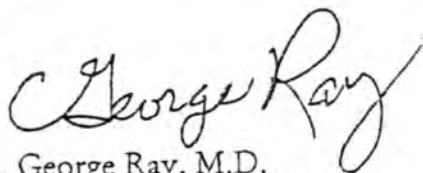
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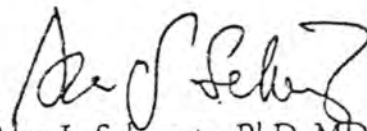
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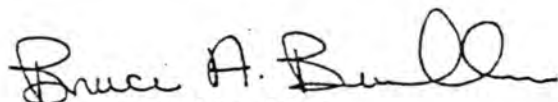
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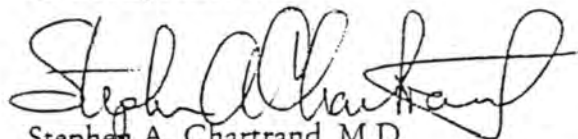
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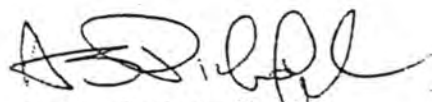
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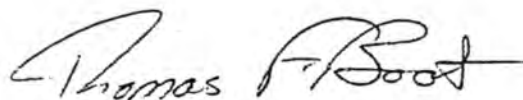
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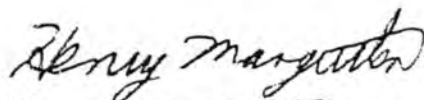
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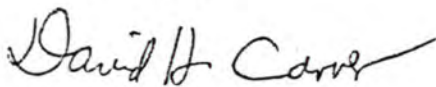
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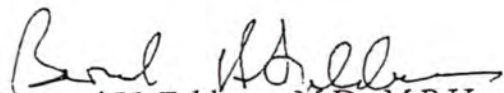
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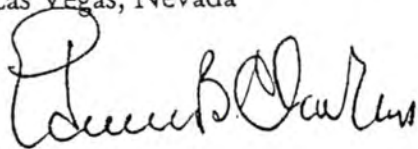
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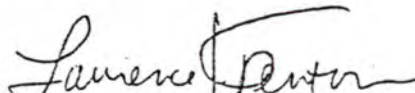
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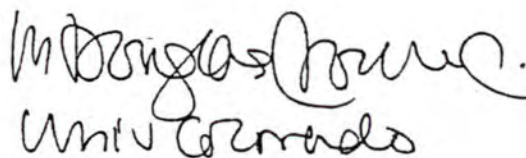
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August 22, 2000

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Dear ~~Mr.~~ Verveer:

Earlier this year, you forwarded a letter to our offices that Mrs. Clinton had received from Ms. Roza Mitrofanovna Klementyeva, Chair of the All-Russian Public Movement of Female Farmers of Russia. The letter thanked the First Lady for the opportunity to participate in the Vital Voices Conference held in Reykjavik, Iceland last year, and asked about the possibility of obtaining some office equipment for her Moscow-based NGO.

I am pleased to inform you that USAID/Russia was able to arrange a donation of some of the requested office equipment and additional needed items to Ms. Klementyeva's NGO. The items included a desktop computer, a laser printer, desks, chairs, file cabinets, and other office items. All were donated by one of the USAID contractors whose activities were ending.

I am pleased that we were able to respond to Ms. Klementyeva's request, and wanted to let you know the outcome.

If USAID can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

*Hope all is well. I'm glad
we were able to help on this.*

Sincerely,

Carol Peasley
Mission Director

Cc: Cynthia Doell, Special Assistant to the Ambassador
Deborah Mennuti, POL

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 30, 2000

Mrs. Vi Peterson
U.S. Embassy, Hanoi
PSC 461, Box 400
FPO AP, 96521-0002

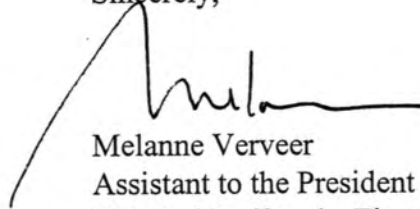
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We look forward to working with you in the months ahead.
With best wishes and our profound gratitude.

Sincerely,

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

Melanne Verveer
Assistant to the President and
Chief of Staff to the First Lady

November 28, 2000

Mrs. Vi Peterson

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Chief of Staff to
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Mrs
Do Vi Peterson {wife of the Ambassador}>
7 Lang Ha Rd.

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WASHINGTON

Fax: (202) 456-6244

Comments:

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

January 9, 2001

Mr. Douglas Picha
Children's Circle of Care
4800 Sand Point Way, NE
PO Box 5371, CH-23
Seattle, WA 98105-0371

Dear Doug:

Thank you for the information about CCC and invitation for Mrs. Clinton to participate in the activities in Seattle this May.

It is not certain whether Mrs. Clinton will be able to accept your kind invitation. I have forwarded your request to Mrs. Clinton's new office in the Senate. As plans are made for the coming year, they will be in touch with you. As we prepare to take our leave here, let me thank you for all your efforts. Your cause is one we will always share wherever we find ourselves.

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October 30, 2000

Melanne Verveer
Chief of Staff
Office of the First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue
Washington DC 20500

Dear Melanne:

Enclosed is our recently published brochure featuring the Children's Circle of Care (CCC) activities which will be held in Seattle on May 2, 3, and 4, 2001. We feel the program, speakers and venues that have been secured will culminate in a meaningful and exciting experience for all our North American and local CCC members who plan to attend. This event is important in our ability to ultimately serve the children in our hospitals.

Thank you again for your support by helping us whenever we have asked for it. We were not surprised to receive your news that the First Lady would not be able to accommodate our request to hold a 5th Anniversary event in November or December at the White House. However, your assistance was once again appreciated.

Good luck with the election in November.

Most sincerely yours,

Douglas T. Picha
Chair, Children's Circle of Care

January 7, 2000

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