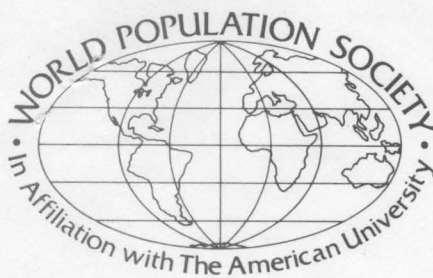


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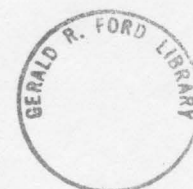
We are honored and delighted by your acceptance of our invitation to participate in the International Population Conference in Washington, November 19-22, at the May flower Hotel.

(19-22)

The theme of the entire Conference is "Since Bucharest and the future". Speakers include Antonio Carrillo Flores of Mexico who was the Secretary-General of the World Population Conference last year, Ms. Helvi Sipila who was Secretary-General of the Conference of the International Women's year and Enrique Penalosa, Secretary General of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements next year. On the morning of the 19th, the topic for the Plenary Session will be Population and the Quality of Life. The Honorable Antonio Carrillo Flores, General Chairman of the Conference, will preside and Dr. Charles Cargille President of the Society will open the Plenary Session. Ambassador Marshall Green and you will welcome the participants; we think that three minutes for welcoming remarks will be sufficient. The Honorable Russell Peterson and the Honorable Estefania Aldaba Lim, from the Philippines will be the principal speakers.

On subsequent sessions the Conference will deal with Population and the Status of Women; Population and Food; Population, Social Change and Development; and Population Programs, International and National. The participants in these sessions will be among the world's leading experts on each of these subjects.

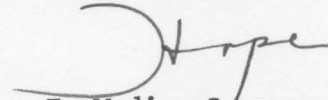
We will send you a full program shortly, and you are invited to attend any or all sessions of interest to you. I realize that it will be impossible for you to spend much time at the Conference, but you may wish to bring this Conference to the attention of staff members at the White House.



Honorable Fernando E.C. de Baca

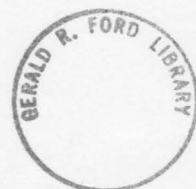
Again, thank you for your willingness to participate in the Conference.
We look forward to seeing you.

Sincerely yours,



E. Medina-Spyropoulos, Ph.D.
Conference Co-Director

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November 21, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR:

FROM:

FERNANDO E. C. DE BACA

Earlier this week, I had the pleasure of welcoming the delegates to the International Population Conference meeting at the Mayflower Hotel.

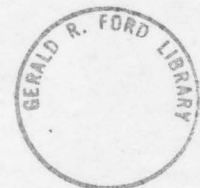
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Welcoming remarks of

The Honorable Fernando De Baca
Special Assistant to the President
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Before opening session of the International Population
Conference, Second Annual Meeting of the World Population
Society, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D. C., November 19, 1975

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished First Lady of the Philippines,
Ambassador Green, Ladies and Gentlemen:

Let me add on behalf of President Ford and on my own
behalf words of greeting and welcome to the participants in
this important Conference. As our distinguished Ambassador,
who has just taken up important responsibilities at the
State Department in this field, has said, it is fitting that
the theme for the meeting we are beginning here today is
"Since Bucharest--and the Future."

As a representative of the White House, and in light of
this theme, I would like to point out to you that the first
message addressed by President Ford to any international
meeting was addressed to the World Population Conference in
session in Bucharest. His telegram was read to the opening
plenary meeting by the principal United States' representative,
former Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare
Caspar Weinberger.

And because I think that that message is still important,
I would like to read it to you assembled here for the



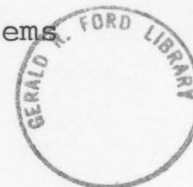
International Population Conference of the World Population Society.

The President's message read as follows: "You are meeting here on a subject that in the true meaning of the word is vital to the future of mankind: How the world will cope with its burgeoning population.

"The rapid growth of the human race presents one of the greatest challenges to man's ingenuity that we have ever encountered. We already know a great deal about the causes of growth, but we know very little about the best ways to deal with its consequences. That must remain one of our primary mutual concerns for the remainder of this century.

"The policies and programs you recommend to solve these problems could affect the peoples of all our nations as well as generations yet unborn. I send you my wishes for the greatest success in your deliberations and pledge that the United States will work unceasingly with you in seeking solutions that are both sound and right."

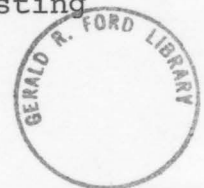
I think that the President's wishes to that Conference could be repeated to this one. He would, I am sure, hope that your deliberations here are useful and successful. It is the commitment of the United States Government to work with those here and all others who are working to try to find solutions that are sound and right to the problems.



associated with "burgeoning population."

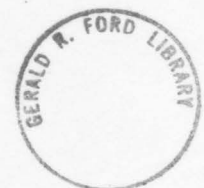
I want to restate President Ford's deep commitment to the process of development for the countries of the less developed world. We feel that for those countries seeking development, population growth is a key factor that must be figured into their plans. A population policy, appropriate and suitable to each nation's particular case, is a key part of the development process. Since Bucharest, we note that many nations have set their own population policies and goals and are making some progress at working towards those ends.

For the future, then, the United States Government looks with deep interest at the additional steps which are needed to further the development process. As part of that concern for the development process, I would point to Secretary Kissinger's speech to the Seventh Special Session of the United Nations General Assembly which Ambassador Moynihan delivered for him on September 1. In that speech, the Secretary of State noted that the determination of the developing nations to mobilize their own efforts is indispensable in the process of development. One of the areas he singled out in this regard was government policies in less developed countries to promote family planning. And the Secretary at that time stated, and I now assure you, that the United States Government is committed to assisting



those countries which seek the help of the United States in developing solutions to their population problems.

I hope, at this Conference, you will work toward developing some answers as to what are the sound and right solutions and in further defining the scope of the population problem. In doing so, I think--and it is my wish--that you will have a useful time at the sessions here.



November 10, 1975

Dear Hope:

With the International Population Conference so close now, this is to formally accept your generous invitation to participate in the welcoming ceremonies on the morning of Wednesday, November 19.

I shall be able to remain for the luncheon on that day and am trying to clear the way for attending some of the symposia. The topics set forth in the Preliminary Program you sent are certainly alluring! I look forward to receiving a full program which you said you would send.

We have talked with the International Women's Year group here at The White House about the Conference and will be sure that other staff members are aware that the Conference will be in session this coming week.

As for myself, representing the President is always a real honor for me. I'll see you, then, somewhat before 9:00 AM on the 19th.

With my very best wishes, I remain

Yours sincerely,

Fernando E. C. De Baca
Special Assistant to the President

Dr. E. Medina-Spyropoulos
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INTERNATIONAL POPULATION CONFERENCE — November 19-22, 1975

Theme: "Since Bucharest—and the Future"

The Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C.

This is to tell you of—and invite you to—the extraordinary international population conference which will convene in Washington, D.C. November 19-22, with the central theme "Since Bucharest—and the Future." A distinguished group of experts from every region of the world, with active audience participation, will review actions taken in the population field since the World Population Conference and the adoption of the World Population Plan of Action in August 1974. The Conference will examine the interrelations between the great world problems of population, food, energy, environment, development, and the quality of life. There will be six Plenary Sessions, three Luncheon Meetings, eighteen Symposia, Scientific Sessions for nine categories of papers on new research; two Evening Programs on population and the interests of youth, and a Workshop on Population Education.

The Conference is sponsored by the World Population Society (WPS) in cooperation with the Population Crisis Committee, the Population Reference Bureau, and the Population Institute. WPS is a non-profit, tax-exempt membership organization affiliated with the American Association for the Advancement of Science and the American University. Its membership is international and is open not only to people in all disciplines related to population but to concerned citizens as well. The Annual Meeting of WPS will be held on Saturday November 22, the last day of the conference.

CONFERENCE LEADERS INCLUDE [in order of participation]:

Hon. Antonio Carrillo Flores, Conference Chairman—Formerly Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations, Secretary-General of the World Population Conference, Foreign Minister and Finance Minister of Mexico.

Amb. Marshall Green—Coordinator of Population Affairs, U.S. Department of State; formerly Ambassador to Indonesia and Australia and Assistant Secretary of State for East Asia and Pacific Affairs.

Hon. Helvi Sipilä—Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations for Social Development and Humanitarian Affairs; Secretary-General of the Conference on International Women's Year; formerly Representative of Finland on the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women.

Hon. Russell Peterson—Chairman, U.S. Council on Environmental Quality; Deputy Chairman, U.S. Delegation to the World Population Conference; formerly Governor of Delaware.

H.E. Leticia Ramos Shahani—Ambassador of the Philippines to Romania; Representative of the Philippines to the Conference for the International Women's Year.

Dr. Henry Gomez—Academic Dean, Institute of Advanced Studies in Administration, Caracas, Venezuela.

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Mr. Christian A. Herter, Jr.—Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Oceans and International Scientific and En-

vironmental Affairs, U.S. Department of State.

Dr. Samar R. Sen—Executive Director (for India) of the World Bank; President, International Association of Agricultural Economists.

Amb. Edwin Martin—Chairman, Group for International Agricultural Development and Financing; formerly Chairman, Development Assistance Committee, O.E.C.D.

H.E. Neville Kanakaratne—Ambassador of Sri Lanka to the United States.

Dr. Philip Handler—President, National Academy of Sciences.

M. Paul Marc Henri—President, the Development Centre, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development; President, The Society for International Development. (invited)

Dr. Antonio Ortiz Mena—President, The Inter-American Development Bank.

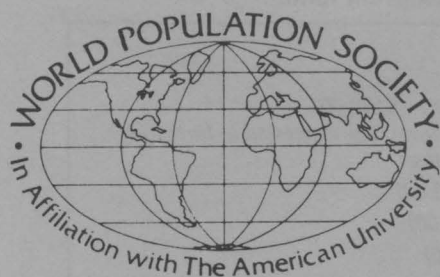
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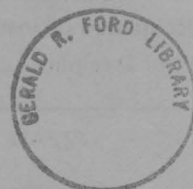


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H.E. Donald Mills—Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations; Vice President of the Economic and Social Council.
Mr. Justin Zulu—Alternate Executive Director, International Monetary Fund.
Dr. Luke Lee—Director, Law and Population Programme, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University.

Dr. Enrique Penalosa—Secretary-General, United Nations Conference on Human Settlements. (invited)
Mrs. Harriet Crowley—Acting Assistant Administrator for Population and Humanitarian Assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development.
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Dr. Leon Tabah—Director, United Nations Population Division.

Dr. Frederick Sai—Assistant Secretary-General, International Planned Parenthood Federation.
Dr. Nafis Sadik—Chief, Projects Division, United Nations Fund for Population Activities.
Dr. Evelyn Kitagawa—Chairman, Department of Sociology, University of Chicago; President-Elect, Population Association of America.
Dr. Sheldon Segal—Vice-President, The Population Council.
Mr. William O. Sweeney—Project Specialist, Office of Population, Ford Foundation.
Mr. Tarzie Vittachi—Chief, Population and Communications, United Nations Fund for Population Activities.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

November 19—Wednesday

Plenary Topic I: Population and the Quality of Life

Symposia:

Population, Health and the Family
Population and World Human Needs—Energy and Resources
Population, Environment and the Quality of Life

Plenary Topic II: Population and the Status of Women

Symposia:

Population Factors and the Status of Women
Education, Fertility Reduction and the Status of Women
Fertility Control and the Integration of Women in Development

Evening Program I: Population Programs for Youth in the Developing World

Scientific Sessions

November 20—Thursday

Plenary Topic III: Population and Food

Symposia:

Increasing Agricultural Output in Developing Countries
Providing and Teaching Better Nutrition
World Food Security

Plenary Topic IV: Population, Social Change and Development

Symposia:

Population and a New International Economic Order
Development Programs in Support of Fertility Reduction
Population and Law

Evening Program II: Action Programs in Population for U.S. Youth
Scientific Sessions

November 21—Friday

Plenary Topic V: Population Programs

Symposia:

Demography, Censuses and Measurements
New Approaches to Family Planning Methods and Delivery
Research in Human Reproduction and Contraception

Symposia:

Training for Population Activities
Population Information, Education and Communications
Role of Non-Governmental Organizations

Plenary Topic VI: Implications for the Future

Scientific Sessions

November 22—Saturday

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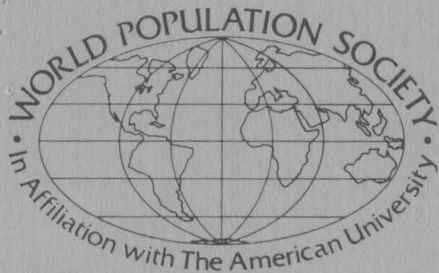
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of the International Women's Year*

will be Luncheon Speaker

at 12:30 p.m., Wednesday, November 19
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JILL RUCKELSHAUS

*Presiding Officer of the
National Commission for the Observance of International Women's Year*
will be Chairman of the Luncheon Session

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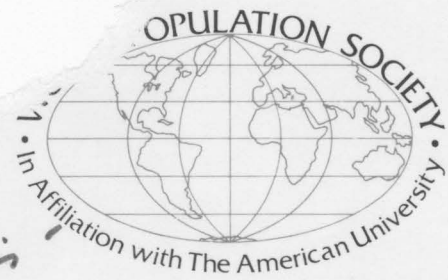
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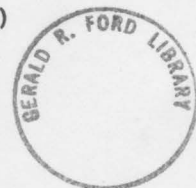
INTERNATIONAL POPULATION MEETING
TO CONVENE HERE NOVEMBER 19 - 22

WASHINGTON, October 23 -- Distinguished international experts in the fields of population, food, environment, the status of women and economic development will convene here November 19 - 22 at the Mayflower Hotel. The group will focus on world policies and programs of action planned or under way to solve urgent problems flowing from the enormous growth of the world's population.

The conference, with the central theme of "Since Bucharest - and the Future," is sponsored by the World Population Society, an organization affiliated with the American Association for the Advancement of Science and American University.

At the World Population Conference held in Bucharest in August 1974, 136 governments adopted the World Population Plan of Action which provides the framework and guidelines for national and international efforts on population policies and programs. The Washington, D.C. conference will review action taken in the population field since the adoption of the plan, examine problems and evaluate the tasks ahead.

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Highlights of the meeting include speeches by the secretaries-general of three great world conferences, (Bucharest, Mexico City and Habitat), participation by many experts from outside the United States and by a number of women distinguished in population and interrelated fields.

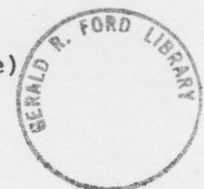
In announcing the international conference, Philander P. Claxton, Jr., conference co-director, pointed to the urgent need for global action on population. "Population issues are at the core of many of the world's problems today and these problems will increase unless action is taken now. This conference will bring together leading experts on basic population programs: demography, family planning and education. But it will do much more. It will examine the effects of population on food, resources, environment, the status of women, development and the quality of life generally - and the effects of all of these on population. The sooner we understand the interrelations of these world problems the sooner we will be able to attack them in a systematic way. This is fundamental for the attainment of a sensible, sustainable international economic order and the enjoyment of a decent, meaningful quality of life for the world's peoples," Claxton said.

Until his retirement last year, Claxton served as special assistant to the Secretary of State for population matters (1966-74). He was responsible for organizing U.S. participation in the World Population Conference and was U.S. representative on the working group in Bucharest responsible for drafting the World Population Plan of Action.

The other co-director is Dr. Esperanza Medina-Spyropoulos, director of academic programs at Development Associates, Inc., of Washington, D.C. and a delegate to the International Women's Year Conference held in Mexico City this year.

Among those welcoming delegates to the conference which

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opens on the morning of November 19, will be Ambassador Marshall Green, now coordinator of population affairs for the U.S. Department of State.

The meeting itself opens with a plenary session on population and the quality of life with a keynote address by Hon. Antonio Carrillo Flores, conference chairman, formerly foreign minister and finance minister of Mexico and former secretary-general of the World Population Conference. He will be followed by Russell Peterson, chairman of the U.S. Council on Environmental Quality and deputy chairman of the U.S. delegation to the World Population Conference.

The plenary session will be followed by three symposia: population, health and the family; population and human needs, energy and resources; population, environment and the quality of life.

Among the invited participants in the symposia are Christian A. Herter, Jr., deputy assistant secretary for environmental affairs, Department of State, Dr. Estafania Aldaba Lim, secretary of social welfare of the Philippines, and Prof. Darrell Randall of American University.

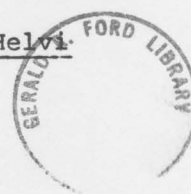
The luncheon speaker on Wednesday, November 19 will be Princess Ashraf Pahlavi of Iran, chairman of the UN preparatory committee for the International Women's Year Conference. The Princess, sister of the Shah, is recognized internationally for her work on women's rights and population matters.

Jill Ruckelshaus, presiding officer of the National Commission for the Observance of International Women's Year, will chair the luncheon session.

On Wednesday afternoon, conference topics include population and the status of women, fertility control and the integration of women in development and education and the status of women.

Chairman of the afternoon plenary session will be H.E. Leticia Ramos Shahani, ambassador of the Philippines to Romania and her country's representative to the UN General Assembly. The principal speaker will be Hon. Helvi.

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Sipila of Finland, assistant secretary-general of the UN and secretary-general of the Conference on International Women's Year.

Panelists during the afternoon sessions include Senator Charles Percy (R., Ill.), a member of the U.S. delegations to the Bucharest and Mexico City conferences. Other participants are Ruth Dixon, author of the UN Study on Family Planning and the Status of Women; Dr. Antonio Silva, assistant secretary of health of Puerto Rico; Patricia Hutar, member of the U.S. delegation to Bucharest and chairman of the delegation to Mexico City; Dr. Henry Gomez, Institute of Advanced Studies, Caracas, Venezuela; Nira Long, who heads the AID program on population and Lic. I. Salvador Guillen, administrator, Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare of Ecuador.

Thursday, November 20

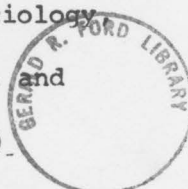
On Thursday, November 20 there will be a plenary session on Population and Food. Chairman will be Dr. Samar R. Sen, executive director (for India) of the World Bank and president, International Association of Agricultural Economists.

Principal speaker will be Amb. Edwin Martin, chairman, Group for International Agricultural Development and Financing and former assistant secretary of state for economic affairs, Latin America.

Dr. Philip Handler, president, National Academy of Sciences, will report on studies made by the Academy on population and food and on the world's capacity to produce the food needed by the world's people.

Symposia on increasing agricultural output in developing countries and providing and teaching better nutrition will complete the morning sessions. Discussion leaders will be Douglas Ensminger, professor of rural sociology, University of Missouri (Columbia), formerly with the Ford Foundation in India, and

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Amb. Howard Cottam, formerly representative of the UN Food and Agricultural Organization in the U.S.

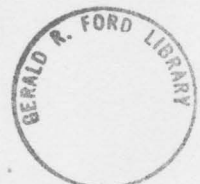
The Thursday afternoon program will deal with population, social change and development, issues of population and a new international economic order and of population and law.

The plenary session will have as its principal speaker M. Paul-Marc Henry, president of the Development Centre, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, and president, The Society for International Development. Other speakers are Dr. Antonio Ortiz Mena, president of The Inter-American Development Bank and Richard Gardner, professor of law at Columbia University (invited).

Other speakers in the afternoon include Dr. James P. Grant, president, Overseas Development Council; Amb. Donald Mills, permanent representative of Jamaica to the UN and vice president of the Economic and Social Council; Justin Zulu, alternate executive director, the International Monetary Fund, and representative of the African nations to the IMF; Lawrence Kegan, president, Population Crisis Committee; Mabub ul Haq, director of Policy Planning and Program Review Department, the World Bank, and Dr. Mangalam Srinivasan of the U.S. Catholic Conference.

Population and law, the final symposium of the afternoon, will be led by Dr. Luke Lee, director, law and population program, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University. Panelists include Harriet Pilpel, counsel for Planned Parenthood, New York; Rev. Charles E. Curran, professor of moral theology, Catholic University, author of a major statement on family planning and morality, and Amb. T. Koh of Singapore.

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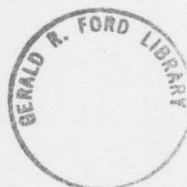
Friday, November 21

The program on Friday, November 21 will consist of a major and highly condensed review of progress and action on specific population programs. Chairman of the plenary session will be Harriet Crowley, acting assistant administrator for population and humanitarian assistance, U.S. Agency for International Development. Others on the program include Rafael Salas, executive director, UN Fund for Population Activities, the principal funding agency in the UN for population programs; Dr. Fernando Tamayo, of Colombia, president of International Planned Parenthood Federation, who will discuss the work of the association's 84 constituent organizations; Dr. R. T. Ravenholt, director of the Office of Population, AID, and Dr. Leon Tabah, a demographer who directs the UN Population Division in the Secretariat. This division forms a bridge between the more general World Population of Action adopted in Bucharest and the programs in the individual countries. Tabah will summarize conclusions reached at regional meetings throughout the world.

The chairman of a symposium on demography, censuses and measurements will be Dr. Evelyn Kitagawa, who is chairman of the Department of Sociology, University of Chicago and president-elect, Population Association of America. Others in this symposium include Mercedes Concepcion, head of the Department of Population, University of the Philippines and Philippine representative to the UN population commission, and John Richardson, director of the Center of Technology at American University.

The second symposium on new approaches to family planning methods and delivery will be chaired by Dr. Nafis Sadik, chief, projects division, UN Fund for Population Activities. Dr. Frederick Sai of Ghana, assistant secretary-general and medical director of the International Planned Parenthood

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Federation will lead the discussion.

The symposium on human reproduction and contraception will include Dr. Vernon Madrigal of El Salvador, and Dr. Sheldon Segal, vice president for research of the Population Council.

Luncheon speaker on Friday will be Dr. Enrique Penalosa of Venezuela, secretary-general, UN Conference on Human Settlements.

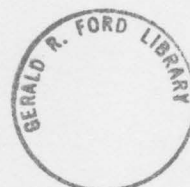
The Friday afternoon program includes a session on training for population activities led by Carmen Miro, a Panamanian, now based in Santiago, Chile, where she heads the important Latin American Center for Demographic Studies.

Other participants: William Sweeney, project specialist with the Office of Population of the Ford Foundation, and international expert on population, information, education and communication will chair a symposium on that subject. Tarzie Vittachi, chief, Population and Communications, UN Fund for Population Activities, will lead the discussion. Vittachi, formerly of Sri Lanka, created the Asia Press Association.

A symposium on the role of non-governmental organizations will be led by Jyoti Singh, deputy chief of the UN public information and NGO office (India). Other speakers will include Lily de Bonceli of Bogota, Colombia (invited), Dr. John Cutler, University of Pittsburgh, Association for Voluntary Sterilization; Samuel Landfather of the Sunnen Foundation on the role of foundations in the reduction of fertility, and Rev. David Poindexter, head of the Population Communications Center in New York and chairman of a committee of private organizations interested in world population matters.

Evening programs on Wednesday, November 19 and Thursday, November 20, (7-9 pm), will concentrate on population programs for youth. Wednesday evening, Jim Chamberlin, youth coordinator, Population Crisis Committee, will chair

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a panel on population programs for youth in the developing world. Panelists include Jyoti Singh of the UN, Nelva Petri, graduate student in demography, (Argentina), Georgetown University, and Ken Yamashita, graduate student in demography (Mexico, Peru, Japan), Johns Hopkins University. Thursday evening's panel, action programs in population for U.S. youth, will be chaired by William Ryerson, director, youth and student division, Population Institute. Participating on the panel will be Janet Forbush, executive director, National Alliance Concerned with School-Aged Parents, Helaine Hamelstein, program coordinator, youth and student affairs, Planned Parenthood Federation of America, and Brent Berwager, "Fragile Planet," Student Association, World Population Society.

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The conference will conclude with a session on implications for the future.

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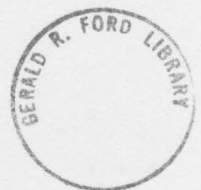
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(Notes to Media: 1. As additional aspects of the program are firmed up, we will let you know.

2. There will be a workshop on Saturday morning, November 22, organized by the Population Reference Bureau and moderated by Vice President Dr. Leon Bouvier.

3. Press room will be Capital Suite A, The Mayflower Hotel. If you would like advance accreditation, please call 783-8440.)

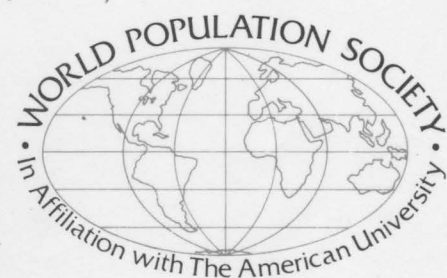
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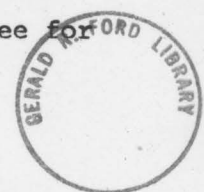
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

WASHINGTON --- Mrs. Imelda R. Marcos, wife of President Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines, and a distinguished leader in social service programs will be a keynote speaker at the World Population Society meeting which convenes here at the Mayflower Hotel, November 19 - 22.

Mrs. Marcos is founding chairman of the Philippine Population Center Foundation, an active private-sector organization concerned with solving the country's high rate of population growth. The first lady of the Philippines also oversees the government's population commission and is personally involved in a wide array of social, education, health and cultural programs not only in her own country but in some cases in East Asia as well. She is currently spearheading a drive to revitalize nutrition programs and coordinate the attack on severe nutrition problems especially among young children.

Other keynoters in the opening session on "Population and the Quality of Life" are: Hon. Antonio Carrillo Flores, conference chairman and former secretary-general of the World Population Conference held in Bucharest in August 1974. He will be followed by Russell Peterson, chairman of the U.S. Council on Environmental Quality and deputy chairman of the U.S. delegation to the World Population Conference. The luncheon speaker on November 19 is Princess Ashraf Pahlavi of Iran, chairman of the UN preparatory committee for the International Women's Year Conference.

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Following the opening plenary session which begins at 9 am, Wednesday, November 19, there will be symposia on population, health and the family, population, environment and the quality of life, population and the status of women, education, fertility reduction and the status of women. Among the participants in these sessions will be Hon. Helvi Sipila, assistant secretary-general of the UN and secretary-general of the Conference on International Women's Year; Sen. Charles H. Percy, R., Ill.; Dr. Luisa Maria Leal, executive secretary, Population Council of Mexico; Hon. Angie Brooks-Randolf, UN ambassador from Liberia; Hon. Fatima Abdel Mahamoud, minister for youth and social welfare, the Sudan; Dr. Henry Gomez, Institute of Advanced Studies in Administration, Venezuela; Nira H. Long, coordinator for women in development, AID; Ines Salvador Guillen, administrator, Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare, Ecuador; Dr. Gerald Winfield, chief, manpower training and institutions, Office of Population, AID, and a number of others.

The Washington, D.C. meeting will review action taken in the population field since 136 governments adopted the World Population Plan of Action in Bucharest. The delegates will also examine the effects of population on food, resources, environment, the status of women, development and the quality of life generally - and the effects of all these on population.

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(Note to Media: A final program will be available next week (call 783-8440). The press room will be Capital Suite A, The Mayflower Hotel).

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Welcoming remarks of 19
AMBASSADOR MARSHALL GREEN 30
Coordinator of Population Affairs
Department of State

Before opening session of the International Population Conference, Second Annual Meeting of the World Population Society, Mayflower Hotel, Washington, D.C., November 19, 1975

Dr. Cargille, Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen: .

It is my privilege and honor to extend warm greetings to all who have come from far and near to give of their valuable time and expertise to this important Conference.

Congratulations and thanks are due the World Population Society, which has organized this Conference, and to those who have assisted -- the Population Crisis Committee, the Population Institute, the Population Reference Bureau, and the Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington.

The purpose of this gathering is aptly described by its title -- "Since Bucharest -- and the Future". We are here for a major public review of the World Population Conference of August 1974 and of the World Population Plan of Action which was endorsed by 135 countries of the world. We will examine what has taken place in this past year, what has not taken place, and we will look towards accomplishments expected in the future. We will look at Population and the Quality of Life; Population and the Status of Women; Population and Food; Population, Social Change and Development, and many facets of population programs.



There have been several official reviews in various parts of the world, such as the recent meeting in Geneva sponsored by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities. However, I believe this is the first opportunity for an open and public examination by such a widely representative group.

The experts gathered here include many who had a principal voice in the World Population Conference itself. Many of you were involved in the important World Food Conference in November of last year and in the World Conference of International Women's Year in Mexico City this past summer. Many of you intend to participate in the Conference on Human Settlements, more familiarly known as HABITAT, to be convened by the United Nations next May in Vancouver.

I mentioned that this Conference is open. It is open to all who are interested; and what is said here deserves notice. I am therefore glad that the organizers plan to publish the proceedings as soon as possible and to make them available to people in many countries.

I cannot claim your expertise on population matters. However, three decades of exposure to the problems of Asia have made me profoundly aware that population is the most fundamental, the most crucial, the most complex and overarching of all issues. The relationship of excessive population growth to famine and malnutrition, as well as to man's environment, is too evident to require mention. Nor need mention be made of how excessive



numbers of people impact adversely on education, health, and economic development. Less evident -- but equally grave -- are the social, political, and strategic consequences of excessive population growth.

Further, I believe there are fundamental philosophical questions as to the balance between the rights of individuals and the rights of the community. This is alluded to in a key section of the World Population Plan of Action itself -- paragraph 14 (f).

It is imperative that population issues be high on the agenda of dialogue between all our leaders and that nations individually and collectively be fully committed to the development of population policies and programs within their sovereign and national prerogatives.

Once again, I extend best wishes to all here assembled for what I am sure will be a Conference of great significance to the world -- to all its inhabitants today and for generations unborn.

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