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### **NEWSLETTER NO. 91 MAY-AUGUST 2001**

Good signs of success for right human relations!

“One person in five is estimated to participate in some form of civil society organisation.” (quoted from the Human Development Report 2000, page 5) More than one billion people have re-oriented their thinking and their lives towards the common good. Is this not a good sign?

Philosophers and educators, economists and business people, all start speaking about putting people first, about the priority of the human being over profits, about the need for a culture of peace instead of violence and exploitation. Global campaigns for disarmament, protection of the environment, social and economic justice gather increasingly more supporters. An example is the Global Campaign for Peace Education launched by the Hague Appeal for Peace (<http://www.ibp.org>). The healing powers of the human being are increasingly recognised.

No wonder that so many conflicts and wars are being financed all over the world. The only hope of those who seek to remain in power at all costs is to divide. Their instruments are all those who let themselves be misguided by hate and prejudice. These people are encouraged and brought to positions of power in which they can do the most harm. However, even the suffering they inflict on their fellow beings helps their victims awaken to spiritual values. The philosopher Laurency says in his book, “The Knowledge of Reality” (pages 46 and 49): “Life is joy, happiness and bliss in the mental and all higher worlds. Suffering is found only in the three lower regions of the physical and emotional worlds, and then only as bad reaping after bad sowing.”

In the same way as many totalitarian systems have collapsed in the past decades, totalitarian systems based on the capitalist model will also break down.

The people of Earth become increasingly aware of the manipulations used to control them, as demonstrated by the growing strength of organisations such as ATTAC (Association pour une Taxation des Transactions financières pour l'Aide aux Citoyens, Association for Taxation of Financial Transactions for the People's benefit, <http://www.attac.org>), which denounce the speculative policies of today's political and economic systems.

More and more earth citizens understand that unity in diversity and right human relations represent the only real future for humanity and hope for collective happiness. Thousands of books and articles are published by numerous groups and organisations in all possible languages, in all countries. We are glad to add our contribution to this flow of positive and constructive information. As our friends in the Ukraine declared in their appeal during their conference last June: Let us all cooperate to create an environment of pure information on our planet! We extend this invitation to all our readers, in order to strengthen the wave of active goodwill on our planet and to help spread the light of our global human family in order to dominate darkness and fear, hate and ignorance.

The IPS group in Geneva

PS: This newsletter was written at the end of August, before the tragic events of New York City and Washington, D.C. We have not altered it in any way (except for adding this PS), because we remain convinced of the progress in right human relations. This is the only reason why the materialistic forces escalate more and more the wave of violence and fear in the world.

*Why is the earth in a state of illness? Because the rays of the planets cannot penetrate the contaminated aura. Into what will man be reduced, if he cease his intercourse with the supreme consciousness and sink into the basest ignorance? From the Raj planet to the microcosm, the law is one. Losing the realisation of the great worlds, people have wandered away from the understanding of perfection. The worlds have become for them a mad dream; and their self-perfectionment has become an unnecessary and perilous pastime. Slaving for the daily wage, people hope only for the end of the way.*

*Religions have frightened humanity by their verdicts and have bereft it of daring. A man who has succumbed blindly to the state religion is as a donkey who bears an unknown load. Can one accept a religion as a police order? Can one accept on faith the verdicts of strangers who receive fees for communing with heavens?*

*The importance of the Yogi in affairs of a state religion is very great. Fearless, testing, indefatigable, the Yogi must aid humanity to remember the law of Unity. As a smiting sword, the thought of the Yogi flashes through space. Ready to alter the ways of communion, ready for achievement, ready for the condemnations of ignorance, the Yogi bids humanity contemplate the causes of reincarnated existences. From this thought will the quality of labour and understanding be changed. Contemplating the possibilities inherent in people, who would not wish to valiantly dare? Is not the victor's crown his who teaches courage to humanity? Otherwise the heads of people, like swine, will remain stuck to the refuse of earth. (Agni Yoga, paragraph 245)*

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## GROUP MEDITATIONS

### FULL MOON MEDITATIONS

Taurus Full Moon meditation (Wesak Festival) with the World Service Intergroup in Darjeeling, India  
Gemini Full Moon meditation (World Invocation Day) with Ankh Foundation in Kiev, Ukraine  
Cancer Full Moon meditation with the Arcane School group in Geneva

### UNITED NATIONS STAFF PEACE MEDITATION GROUP

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| 01.05.2001 | Light, Love, Divine Life through the angels and archangels            | 07.08.2001 | The One Life streams through all creatures   |
| 22.05.2001 | Being Alive   | 14.08.2001 | Culture of Peace and eternal values through active goodwill – to a sense of universality |
| 17.07.2001 | The Light of the Soul in all walks of life                            |            | Awakening full consciousness   |
| 24.07.2001 | Enthusiasm – the Essence of Spiritual Life                            | 28.8.2001  | Living in the Now  |
| 31.07.2001 | What do we expect from the Earth? What does the Earth expect from us? |            |  |

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## GROUP MEETINGS AND ACTIVITIES

### 4-9 May 2001 – Gathering of World Service Intergroup, Darjeeling, India

The purpose of the WSI is to generate a focused, conscious and deliberate intergroup effort to specifically assist the externalisation of the Hierarchy and the reappearance of the Christ, the World Teacher. Its members are education and meditation groups (including the IPS) located around the world, who study and honour all of the great spiritual teachings of the ages, especially the more modern presentations by H.P. Blavatsky, Alice Bailey, Helena Roerich and other teachers of the Ageless Wisdom.

One of the ongoing projects of the WSI is to hold a meeting and meditation retreat every year in one of the 5 planetary centres (Geneva, London, New York, Tokyo and Darjeeling). This year the meeting was held in Darjeeling and gathered about 40 representatives of groups from several countries. The main ideas exchanged during the meeting were summarised in the "Darjeeling Declaration", which can be read at the WSI website (<http://www.synthesis.tc>). It is also available upon request (in English and

Spanish) from the IPS Geneva or any of the other participating groups. It is mainly intended for people with an esoteric background.

Another WSI project is a conference to be held in 2003 at the Findhorn Foundation in Scotland, on the theme: "Helping to Prepare Human Consciousness for the Reappearance of the Christ, the World Teacher". For further information, contact the Center for Visionary Leadership, 3408 Wisconsin Avenue NW, Suite 200, Washington, DC 20016, U.S.A., tel. +1-301-320.23.91, e-mail: [gordond@visionarylead.org](mailto:gordond@visionarylead.org), <http://www.visionarylead.org>.

During our stay in Darjeeling, we also visited the Tibetan Refugee Self-Help Centre, where Tibetan refugees produce and sell their traditional handicrafts, such as carpets, clothing, shoes, brass and furniture, all beautifully decorated. Their office address is Havelock Villa, 65 Gandhi Road, Darjeeling, India, tel. +91-2346.

#### **6 May 2001- Alcor Institute Launching Day**

Alcor Institute is a non-profit-making association which aims to develop a certain number of activities, including seminars, conferences and publications, to set up research groups and organise a training course based on the Ageless Wisdom and the discoveries of modern science. Two of the members of the IPS Executive Committee, Rudolf Schneider and Alice Boainain-Schneider, have participated in its foundation, but the IPS is not involved in the activities of the Alcor Institute.

During the launching day, the planned activities of the Institute were outlined. After a welcoming speech by the President, Roger Durand, scientist, ("What is the Alcor Institute?") and an introductory conference by Léon Weber, psychosociologist and Vice-President of Alcor Institute on "What principles can be found in the human being that enable him to rise to the challenges of the contemporary world?", the participants were divided into four workshops: psychology, science, economics/business and education. In the afternoon, seven speakers talked about "The Dangers and Opportunities of Globalisation", each from the perspective of one of the seven rays, and Marie-Agnès Frémont, psychotherapist, co-ordinated the various contributions.

Alcor Institute publishes a newsletter (French only) and has created four research groups which will meet in France or Switzerland to develop their own programme of activities. People interested in participating are invited to contact the facilitators of these groups, as follows:

Roger Durand, research group on "Life and Form", 28 bis, rue Emmanuel Chabrier, F-63170 AUBIERE, France, Tel.: +33-04 73 26 04 55 or +33-04 92 23 54 65, fax: +33-04 73 28 45 24, e-mail: [rogerdurand@club-internet.fr](mailto:rogerdurand@club-internet.fr) ;

Léon Weber, research group on "Innovative Brotherhood", 34 Bd. de l'Hôpital, F-75005 Paris, France, tel. +33-01.43.37.50.84, e-mail: [caronweber@compuserve.com](mailto:caronweber@compuserve.com) ;

Marie-Agnès Frémont, research group on the seven rays, 15 rue Mathurin Brissonneau, F-44100 Nantes, tel. +33-02.40.73.14.71, fax 02.40.71.77.43, e-mail [matesfrem@wanadoo.fr](mailto:matesfrem@wanadoo.fr); and

Cédric Dumas, research group on vital energy, 2, avenue de la Gare - bât B, F-74160 ST-JULIEN-EN-GENEVOIS, France, tel. +33-04.50.49.42.72, e-mail: [terra@club-internet.fr](mailto:terra@club-internet.fr).

Further information can also be obtained at the website: <http://institut.alcor.free.fr>. The 5-year course planned to start this year has been postponed until there is sufficient demand, as it requires a profound commitment from all participants, both teachers and students, to attend monthly weekend meetings over a period of 5 years.

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#### **4 May 2001 – Workshop on IPS activities, "Concern", Kathmandu, Nepal**

**Concern Nepal**, a NGO that works for the rights of children, especially street children and *dalit* children (untouchables), invited Rudolf Schneider, member of the IPS executive committee, to present the aims and activities of the Institute to a group of representatives of Nepalese NGOs in Kathmandu. This also gave us the opportunity to learn much about the plight of street children in Nepal and the work being done by organisations such as Concern Nepal to help them, defend their rights and prevent them from being exploited. Enclosed we are mailing a folder on their aims and activities.

Our contact at Concern Nepal is Mr. Bijaya Sainju, Executive Co-ordinator. Here is the address of Concern Nepal: Swoyambhu, G.P.O. Box 4543, Kathmandu, Nepal, tel. +977-1-280754, fax +977-1-277033, e-mail: [concern@mos.com.np](mailto:concern@mos.com.np).

#### **19-20 May 2001 – Seminar on Schüssler mineral salts and facial diagnosis, Foundation Unity of all Life, Lucerne, Switzerland**

This seminar was given by Dr. Kellenberger and organised by the Foundation Unity of All Life. Dr. Kellenberger is a physician, homeopath, and has been working with and teaching Dr. Schüssler's biochemical salts and facial diagnosis as developed by Dr. Hickethier for many years, besides flower remedies and other therapeutic methods such as Jin Shin Jyutsu ("finger mudras", a form of acupressure). His address is: Naturheilpraxis Kellenberger, Platz 234, CH-9428, Walzenhausen, tel. +41-071-888.57.92, fax +41-071-8885705, e-mail: [info@naturprodukte.ch](mailto:info@naturprodukte.ch), <http://www.naturprodukte.ch>.

During this follow-up seminar, the knowledge acquired during the introductory course was deepened, facial diagnosis was practised among the participants and physical exercises corresponding to the psychological and spiritual traits of each of the twelve salts were discussed and practised in order to give a direct experience of each salt's essence and to promote the necessary assimilation of each salt.

The Foundation Unity of All Life organises courses and seminars on mental colour therapy, Dr. Schüssler's salts and other healing methods in Lucerne and Montagnola/Lugano. Its address is: Mettenwylstrasse 5, CH-6006 Lucerne, Switzerland, tel. +41-41-420.05.88 (Lucerne) and 091-994.71.47 (Montagnola), e-mail: [foudeal@bluewin.ch](mailto:foudeal@bluewin.ch).

#### **26-27 May 2001 – Arcane School Annual Conference in Geneva**

The Arcane School provides training for world discipleship in the form of a correspondence course which presents the principles of the Ageless Wisdom through esoteric meditation, study and service as a way of life. The theme of this year's conference was: The New Group of World Servers: The Law of Spiritual Approach and the Principle of Essential Divin-

ity". Its keynote was: "Let the group awaken to that which is at the very verge of precipitation into human thinking, life and circumstance". All the speakers addressed this keynote and the working groups dealt with the question: "What aspects of the Plan are now emerging?"

The text of the speeches is available in English, French, Spanish, Italian, German and Dutch from the Arcane School, 1 rue de Varembe, P.O. Box 31, CH-1211 Geneva 20, Switzerland, tel. +41-022-734.1252, fax +41-022-740.0911, <http://www.lucistrust.org>.

### **27 May to 4 June 2001 – Group meetings in the Ukraine**

We were invited to participate in the international conference, "On the Threshold of the New World: New Approaches to Education and Health", organised by the Ankh Foundation, the Heart Summons and the Institute for Civic Leadership in Kiev, with the participation of officials from the Ministries of Education, Sciences and Health, and from the UNDP. During that conference, Rudolf Schneider gave a talk on "The IPS and international cooperation" and guided a full moon meditation. The conference issued an appeal to all members of society, workers and executives in governmental and non-governmental organisations active in the field of information to take up responsibility for healing and purifying the information environment of our planet. The text of this appeal is available in English and Russian and can be requested from the Ankh Foundation, contact person, Ms. Svetlana Gavrilenko, e-mail: [ankh@adam.kiev.ua](mailto:ankh@adam.kiev.ua). The goal of the Institute for Civic Leadership (4, Dovnar-Zapolsky Street No. 104, Kiev-116, 04116 Ukraine, tel./fax +38044-213.587, e-mail: [iclnata@svitonline.com](mailto:iclnata@svitonline.com)) is to promote the development of democratic institutions and the civic society in Ukraine through the programs School for Ukraine's Leaders, Women's Leadership and European Choice of Ukraine.

The Union of Spiritual Sciences and Movements in the Crimea holds every year a Spiritual Unity Week and invited us to give a talk during this festival on "The IPS and its activities in the present world crisis". The festival includes not only talks, but also concerts, art exhibitions and theatre, and has been regularly held for the past 10 years. We therefore had the opportunity to meet people from many different horizons, such as the Director of the Taurida National V.I. Vernardsky University, representatives of spiritual groups in the Crimea, artists, teachers and healers, mystics and scientists. It is amazing how many groups are active in Eastern European countries, most of them keen to establish contacts with like-minded people and organisations in Western Europe. We have decided to include here the names and addresses of those who approached us during our stay, as well as a short description of their work, in the hope that some of you, the readers of this newsletter, may be interested in working together with these friends in the Ukraine, or at least in exchanging ideas with them.

*New Man Program*, by Vorona J.S. – application of naturopathic, biophysical synergocorrection to enhance quality of life, increase stress-resistance and physiological, professional, social, creative and spiritual self-realisation and increase longevity. Training of experts in the application of this naturopathic system. Contact address: Office 8, house no. 5, Salutnaya street, Kiev, Ukraine, fax +380-44-4424692, e-mail: [sinergia@kiev.ua](mailto:sinerгия@kiev.ua).

*Crimean Kung-Fu association "Dragon-Tiger" School*, initiator of the project "Heavenly Town", an architectural and landscaping project to restore the lost harmony between man and nature in the form of an educational system and a community. Contact: Mr. Valery Marshin, Stadionnaia St. 1a, Perevalnoe, SIMFEROPOL 334132, Republic of Crimea, Ukraine - C.I.S., tel.:+380 652 368-588 (Perevalnoe), e-mail: [club\\_@ukpost.net](mailto:club_@ukpost.net).

*Music School "Harmony"* – teaching of music and spirituality. Contact person: Mr. Vladimir Amatuni, c/o AMTEK, Ushinskogo street 2/46, 333000 Simferopol, Crimea, Ukraine, tel. 652-27.36.71, e-mail: [amtek@cris.crimea.ua](mailto:amtek@cris.crimea.ua).

*Zhytomyr School of Ageless Wisdom* – development of an esoteric studies program for adults and spiritual education for children in the region of Zhytomyr. Contact: Ms. Natalia P. Davydova, 1 Peremoga Street, flat 49, 10000 Zhytomyr, Ukraine, tel. +38-0412-376069 or 203970, e-mail: [oksana@orta.com.ua](mailto:oksana@orta.com.ua).

*Centre of Spiritual Unity "TERRA"*, with cultural and educational activities (seminars, exhibitions, concerts, courses on bioenergy), scientific research (investigation of power spots and paranormal zones, new energies and torsion fields) and publications. Contact address: <http://www.terra-goh.boom.ru> (English and Russian), <http://terra-nam.narod.ru>, e-mail: [terra\\_crimea@yahoo.com](mailto:terra_crimea@yahoo.com), tel. +38-0652.269.444.

*Project "New World", Crimean Association of Bio-Energetic and Informational Exchange in Nature*, project manager S.G. Binat. Project to create a spiritually-oriented infrastructure including: health-care and training in healthy way of life for children, adults and families; education from pre-school through high-school, including moral psychology, physical development, self-regulation, ethics, aesthetics, etiquette and foreign languages, courses for parents including family and child psychology, meditation, self-regulation, arts; and scientific research into energetic medicine, ecology and agriculture.

*Children's Club "Kindness"* for physical, psychological and spiritual development through the practice of the arts and sports based on human values. Contact: Dr. Anatoly Turansky, Poleskaya 2, Kiev, Ukraine, tel. +38044-567.99.85 or 567.99.98, e-mail: [terra2001@userlink.ru](mailto:terra2001@userlink.ru).

*Mission Nartex Project* restoration of spiritual unity of humanity, promotion of world citizenship, development of integral medicine and environmentally clean technologies, research into energy-information processes in biosystems. The originator of the project, Dr. Konstantin G. Zadorozhnikov, is a homeopath and practitioner of Yumeiho therapy, a form of physiotherapy based on traditional Chinese and Japanese medical systems. Dr. Zadorozhnikov also patented a method of ergo-informational correction of status of biosystems. His address is: Pr. Oktyabrskoi revolutsii, 25, 87, Sebastopol, Ukraine 99057, tel. +0602-42.64.14, e-mail: [nartex@newmail.net](mailto:nartex@newmail.net). Information in several languages on Yumeiho therapy is available at the website and <http://www.yumeiho.co.jp/ymheng.htm> (in English, Esperanto and other languages).

*Creative Group "Fireworks"*. This group aims at uniting children and youth through creative activities based on spiritual values and the ideals of love, goodness and the unity of humanity. It has already been in existence for 5 years and has produced a show, "The mystery of the snow king" with the participation of children and adults, including theatre, circus and dance. It is seeking contacts with similar groups. Its contact person is Ms. Tatiana Burceva, e-mail: [vasya@mk.relc.com](mailto:vasya@mk.relc.com).

The *International Union of Academies* uses the systemic approach to prevent the spiritual decline of humanity. It has members in Russia, the Ukraine, Belarus, Italy and Sweden. In Russia, it is represented by the Russian national Academy of Management, Intersystemic Prognostication and Cardinal Psychology, prospekt Shokalskogo 29, building 2, office 87, 129221 Moscow, Russia, tel. +7-095-154.5180, tel./fax +7-468.95.36, e-mail: [iamGreen@mail.ru](mailto:iamGreen@mail.ru).

#### **28 June 2001 – Meeting on Practical Spirituality, IPS Geneva**

The IPS organised an informal exchange of views with M. del Pe at the Geneva International Conference Centre. M. del Pe is an accomplished businessman, engineer and martial arts teacher. He has also received intensive training with great spiritual sages and has attained proficiency as a master of spiritual sciences and alternative health systems. Also known by his graduates as Master Del Pe, he has helped to establish organisations and foundations in New York, Texas, India, the Philippines, South and Central America, and has taught more than 18,000 people in various types of spiritual and success-oriented seminars. He publishes a quarterly article, *From the Planetary Heart™* for readers worldwide and has created MDP Body Therapy and Inner Power Development Program™, video for inner development, and the CD *MDP Inner Renewal Meditation™*, among others.

However, because of a problem with flight schedules, M. del Pe could not arrive in time for the meeting. He was represented by one of his co-workers, Dr. Antoine François, who presented the work of

ESOCEN, the association founded by M. del Pe, and some basic elements of the teachings given by M. del Pe on the Ageless Wisdom and energy sciences. One of the missions of ESOCEN is to present the truth of the Ageless Wisdom scientifically, offering practical techniques to help people overcome the challenges and difficulties of the modern era, and to assist them in finding their purpose and leading a healthier, more balanced and fulfilled life. ESOCEN address is: 25301 Borough Park Drive, Suite 200, The Woodlands, Texas 77380, USA, tel. +1-281-292-0272. In France, Dr. Antoine François, [antfran@club-internet.fr](mailto:antfran@club-internet.fr), <http://www.esocen.com>.

After the presentation, we practised the Inner Renewal Meditation developed by M. del Pe, a 40-minute meditation designed to clear the physical, emotional and mental bodies of negative energies and to revitalise the 7 chakras. This meditation guideline is available on CD.

#### **28-29 June 2001 – Seminar on "Relieving the Past, Transforming the Present and Dynamising the Future" with M. del Pe, Lausanne, Switzerland**

The association "Arca Santé" in Lausanne organised this seminar, during which we studied the human energy system, started training to sense subtle energies, to use our own energies to bring relief to ourselves and others, to identify the past, present and future aspects that influence our health. We also examined various energetic and spiritual causes of disease, and learned a few simple scientific methods to harmonise our whole being, purifying its energies, revitalising and developing the inner faculties that correspond to our chakras.

Arca Santé (avenue Vinet 19, CH-1004 Lausanne, tel. +41-021-648.11.01, fax +41-021-648.11.02, e-mail: [info@arca.ch](mailto:info@arca.ch), <http://www.arca.ch>) offers courses and seminars on alternative medicines and personal development, as well as private consultations.

#### **17 July 2001 – Seminar on "Empowered Development", World Bank Group, Geneva**

This seminar was part of the series of "Exchanges on Development" organised by the World Bank Group in Geneva. The speaker was Mr. Mats Karlsson, Vice-President for External Affairs and U.N. Affairs at the World Bank. The idea of empowering people, allowing them to make the decisions that affect their own lives, is gaining ground with the World Bank establishment. During this seminar, the speaker recognised that many mistakes had been made, mainly because of a lack of co-operation with the local people. Human rights, development ethics, accountability, land reform, new forms of organisation, such as networks, education, global civic ethics and ethics in the media, are crucial for development. Corruption and indebtedness are higher in countries without individual freedoms and rights of expression, participation and organisation.

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**21 July 2001 - Lifeboat Action, Friends of the Earth Europe, Bonn, Germany**

During the world climate talks, about 2000 people came to construct a 30m-long Lifeboat for world climate, bringing their messages to world leaders on wooden planks from all over the world. The boat was moved through the city and placed in front of the conference-hosting Maritim Hotel.

**Friends of the Earth Europe** is the European branch of Friends of the Earth International. It is a network of 31 independent, national environmental organisations in 30 European countries and the largest environmental network in Europe working at grassroots level. Here is its contact address for Europe: Friends of the Earth Europe, 29, rue Blanche, Brussels B-1060, Belgium, tel.: +32.2.5420180, fax: +32.2.5375596, e-mail: [info@foeeurope.org](mailto:info@foeeurope.org), <http://www.foeeurope.org> and the address of **Friends of the Earth International Secretariat** P.O. Box 19199, 1000 GD Amsterdam, The Netherlands, tel.: +31 20 6221369, fax: +31 20 6392181, e-mail: [foei@foei.org](mailto:foei@foei.org).

**26 July 2001 – Celebration on the occasion of the International Day of the World’s Indigenous People, United Nations, Geneva**

This celebration of the world’s first peoples was held in the Ariana Park, at the U.N. headquarters in Geneva, and included cultural presentations by indigenous peoples from around the world. Mr. Vladimir Petrovsky, Director-General of the U.N. Office at Geneva, addressed the participants. Normally, the International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples is celebrated on August 9. This year, however, the celebration was brought forward to take advantage of the presence of representatives of indigenous peoples from all regions of the world, who came to Geneva to participate in the annual meeting of the Working Group of Indigenous Peoples at the United Nations. In the evening, a more informal party gathered a few hundred people for a lakeside barbecue.

**8 August 2001 – Video presentation on “Values-based Education – towards prevention and cure**

**of racism”, “Living Values: an Education Programme”, Geneva**

The Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University, Geneva branch, organised this video presentation, which focused on “Living Values: an Educational Programme” in India, U.K., Kuwait, Mauritius, South Africa and Kenya, in particular the teacher- and parent-training aspects of the programme. This includes not only teaching from the outside, but also building living values from within. Human rights and living values are very closely related.

“Living Values: an Educational Programme” is a partnership amongst educators around the world, supported by UNESCO and sponsored by the Spanish Committee of UNICEF, Planet Society (UNESCO) and the Brahma Kumaris, in consultation with the Education Cluster of UNICEF (New York). For further information, visit the website: <http://www.livingvalues.net> (in English, French, Spanish and Chinese), with addresses of national members in many countries, or contact the International Co-ordinating Office, Ms. Gayatri Naraine, 866 U.N. Plaza, Suite 436, N.Y. 10017, USA, fax +1-212-504.2798, e-mail: [lv@livingvalues.net](mailto:lv@livingvalues.net).

**9-10 August 2001 – Meeting of the NGO Education Caucus, Geneva**

During the second preparatory committee meeting for the World Conference against Racism (WCAR), a group of NGOs established a network on education and set up an Education Caucus. During the third preparatory committee in Geneva, this group held daily meetings and formed working groups to work on inputs for the Declaration and Plan of Action of the NGO Forum which will take place in Durban, in parallel to the WCAR, and to work out an oral statement in the name of the Education Caucus for the government conference. Education is the key to the promotion of respect for harmony in diversity of societies. All organisations involved in education are invited to join their efforts, to have an impact both during the conference in Durban and in the future. The convenor of the Education Caucus is Mr. Werner Peter Luedemann, International Association for Human Values, e-mail: [IntAOLEurope.Luedemann@t-online.de](mailto:IntAOLEurope.Luedemann@t-online.de).

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**ENCLOSURES**

Calendar of forthcoming group activities  
Flyer “Concern” Nepal  
Flyer United Nations Days & Years Meditation Initiative