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Dear Friends and Co-workers!

Nobility of character in world leaders is one of today's most urgent needs. The absence of integrity and of an ethical perspective in world affairs has allowed people who pursue their aims with brutality and disregard for anything which is not in their personal interest to take over positions of power in politics, religion, science and health. Humanity has become a prisoner of their greed and violence. Liberation demands urgent united efforts.

It is time for the people to speak out and demonstrate what they really want. Those who see the danger of domination by ruthless and merciless forces need to make urgent united efforts to awaken the spirit of humanity to see the reality of what is happening. Humanity is being manipulated by the skillful and intentional use of direct and subliminal propaganda, terror and insecurity, to accept a world order based on lawlessness and the enslavement of the majority of humanity and the destruction of the natural environment for the sake of short-term profits for a very few. The spark of noble character and goodness in the heart of humanity needs to be fanned into a flame of truth and courage to release the energy of liberation. Insight, love of justice and solidarity need to be more strongly evoked. As it gains in resonance, the call from the spirit of humanity, expressed through an enlightened public opinion, can pierce through the darkness of oppression, the cries of war, cruelty and fear. If empowered with love, truth and dedication to the common good, humanity can be lifted and carried out of the present darkness, horror and chaos, forward into the light and the noble work of building its new future – a fu-

ture infused with the light and music of the soul.

For that to happen, the innate capacity of people to choose and construct a better way of life based on community, spiritual values, caring, kindness and justice for all, should be nurtured at all levels and in all circumstances. Every person can and is called to apply and manifest these values in his or her own personal life, in the family, in his or her profession, in the community, in his or her political choices. Also on a collective level, organisations, governments, public institutions and private corporations need to learn how to make collective decisions which are based not only on the notion of personal or corporate interest, but on an understanding of the larger picture and the concerns of all interested parties.

Three great tasks face humanity to achieve a new world ruled by ethical principles such as accountability, transparency, sharing and cooperation:

- cooperation among the world religions
- equitable sharing of the world's resources among the peoples of the world, according to their needs, in order to ensure the physical, social, mental and spiritual development and well-being of all;
- a re-orientation of the world expenses in armaments towards social and economic development, for formal and informal intellectual and spiritual education of children, youth and adults, and natural healthcare for all.

These are great tasks, but enlightened and liberated human beings have the power to accomplish them.

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Urusvati knows the significance of synthesis. If this foundation is not accepted, the most useful works will be destined for destruction. The essence of Our Abode is not properly understood because people arbitrarily categorize. Some consider Us to be Hermits of Kailas, while others think that We are Beings of the Subtle World. Such distinctions destroy the synthesis of Our

Existence.

People refuse to accept the logical explanations that are given to broaden their knowledge, and by refusing, they diminish the very meaning of Our existence. If Our Centre exists as the link between the worlds, in it must be expressed the conditions of both worlds, physical and subtle. But such a simple idea can only be understood by one who comprehends the great importance of synthesis.

Humanity can be divided into those who accept synthesis and those who deny it. Those who deny the benefit of synthesis do not recognize the history of the human race. The epochs of upliftment were also the epochs of an understanding of synthesis, when each harmonization of the centres resulted in a broadening of consciousness.

Please do not think that narrow specialization makes the glory of an era. Only benevolent, all-embracing synthesis can give impetus to the new progress of consciousness.

Thus, let us not forget that categorizing prevents a proper understanding of Our Brotherhood.
(Supermundane – The Inner Life, Book One, § 96).

GROUP MEDITATIONS

Taurus Full Moon (Wesak) and Leo Full Moon meditation with the Arcane School Group in Geneva
Group meditation on the reappearance of the Christ and Cancer Full Moon meditation with the World
Goodwill and Triangles Unit of Service in Rio de Janeiro

15-19 July 2003 – morning and evening meditations in the pyramid of Fazenda Vida, Una, Bahia, Brazil, on various keynotes

UNITED NATIONS STAFF PEACE MEDITATION GROUP

13.05.2003	We are all flowers with positive and negative seeds	01.07.2003	We share what we are, not what we have
03.06.2003	Life is One and I am One with Life	12.08.2003	Meditation on Transmission of Love for Humanity
10.06.2003	Relieve suffering with the light of the soul	19.08.2003	Culture of Peace and Non-violence
17.06.2003	The One Life is in all of us	26.08.2003	International Unity

IPS SPONSORED ACTIVITIES

22-25 May 2003 – 3rd International Conference “On the Threshold of a New World: Current Models of Education and Healthcare”, Kiev, Ukraine

More than 200 participants - teachers, doctors, scientists, public leaders, representatives of numerous NGOs, research centres, international organizations - from different cities of Ukraine, Russia, Belarus, UK, Canada, USA discussed the following topics:

- Future of the civilization: role of education and healthcare
- Contemporary ideas and trends in education
- Humanistic approach in education
- Man and woman in the modern world
- New leadership models
- Changing the paradigms of education and healthcare: holistic approach to the person
- Role of psychology in shaping human relations
- Bio-informational medicine as a medicine of tomorrow
- Towards a Spiritual Parenthood
- Bio-ethical evaluation of humans' informational environment and informational safety.

The IPS was represented by Rudolf Schneider. The conference demonstrated the growing activity of the civil society in Ukraine, with grassroots initiatives for change, born of the sincere will of the people to make a difference, to take part in decision-making on essential problems, including education and public health services. It was for this purpose that a group of seven Ukrainian NGOs created The Public Council in 2000 to carry out these annual events. In this dramatic period of our history, more and more

people are directed to state universal moral values in daily work, to realize the necessity of cooperation with mother-nature, on the basis of old traditions and modern knowledge, establish right human relations, first of all in family life, education of new generations, healthy way of life. We met in Kiev to share our experiences, to outline new approaches to education, health, creative self-realization, improvement of information environment. About 100 reports were presented, including by Rudolf Schneider, General secretary of the IPS (Switzerland); Prunella Briance, founder and Chairman of the National Foundation for Natural Childbirth (Great Britain); Arthur Harkins, professor, the University of Minnesota, writer, founder of a new leadership concept (USA); representatives of the UNDP and UNICEF programs in Ukraine.

It was significant that the conference was held in the library of The Polytechnical University, one of the oldest and most famous Kiev universities. The Vice-rector made a speech during the opening ceremony, the University's professors made some final reports, and students had an opportunity to take part in the discussions and round tables to get acquainted with new ideas and innovating projects.

An original surprise was the meeting with Zinaida Baranova, who for the past four years has been leading an autotrophic regime of life, i.e. without eating and drinking. The conference was held within the framework of a festival of children and youth creativity. Artists and poets presented their work. An

excursion to places of spiritual power of ancient Kiev concluded these three days of work in an atmosphere of solidarity and cooperation for establishing new values for the One Humanity on Earth.

22-25 May 2003 – At the same time as the public conference was held in Kiev, an evening study group met during these three days for those interested in the science of the seven rays, the work of the NGOs and the United Nations.

**1-3 August 2003 – 14th Intergroup meeting, Que-
luz, Brazil**

This intergroup meeting was organised by the Unit of Service Triangles and World Goodwill of Brazil, with groups in Campinas, João Pessoa, Natal, Resende and Rio de Janeiro, by the local representatives of the IPS and of the International Children's Peace Council. The meeting was held in a beautiful

farmhouse which has been renovated to host a future centre for esoteric healing and research on natural therapies. It is located on partly forested land, with a waterfall, pure water and air on the hills of São Paulo State. The keynote of the meeting was "self-awareness", which is the keynote of the sign of Leo. The emphasis was on group meditation, which was conducted several times every day as a means to bring about group integration and as a world service. The meditations included the meditation for the reappearance of the Christ, the Maitreya Sangha meditation, the meditations for planetary synthesis, for planetary healing, for reorienting money for hierarchical purposes, for eliminating fear in humanity. Most periods of meditation were followed by a period of sharing of insights. Periods of study began with reading of a text prepared by one of the members of the group, on themes related to self-awareness and the energies of Leo.

GROUP CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

2 May 2003 – Conference "Between Heaven and Earth" by Toni Rüttimann, who has been building rescue bridges in remote areas affected by natural catastrophes in South America and Asia since 1987. His e-mail address is toni.ruttimann@tid-edu.ch.

6-16 June 2003 – Conclave of the World Service Intergroup in Findhorn, Scotland

This report is taken from the newsletter of the Sundial House Group (P.O.Box 181, Tunbridge Wells, Kent TN3 9ZA, U.K., <http://www.creativemeditation.org>), one of the groups which participated in the WSI Conclave. The WSI Conclave held in Findhorn, Scotland, was a great meeting of 180 delegates representing 48 groups that have committed to sponsor this worldwide effort to develop a unified body of esoteric groups that function in unison to provide an instrument for actively implementing the divine Plan, building a link to planetary spiritual consciousness and preparing the way for the reappearance of the Christ. The conclave was held during the five-day period surrounding the Gemini Full Moon, specifically to invoke insight and impression in group meditation about what we can do to actively implement and work for the reappearance.

There was a mini-conference for the purpose of experiencing and learning about our host organisation, the Findhorn Educational Trust, in which 60 people participated. This was a wonderful time to get to know each other and a little about the organisations represented before the actual conference began.

A ceremony on the evening of June 11 in the pentagonal Universal Hall opened the conference. Organisations from 17 countries were represented, and all 48 organisations present had a chance to give a one-minute synopsis of the activities and focus of each group. The IPS was represented by Rudolf Schneider and Marion Remus. Each meeting opened with a meaningful ritual of invoking the 7 rays, naming them, speaking their word of power and lighting candles in colours that represented each ray. This was followed by the Great Invocation, which was eventually pronounced in 10 languages.

Each meeting ended with a short ritual in which the candles were extinguished. The evening before and day of the full moon were particularly potent with participants holding silence except for a vigil where the Great Invocation was sounded every 15 minutes up until the time of the full moon.

The WSI has been meeting for seven years in all the planetary centres (London, Geneva, Darjeeling, Tokyo and New York) and also in Washington D.C. and Los Angeles, with the goal of building a "world vessel" for the externalisation of the divine plan. The insights received by each participant during group meditation were synthesised and shared with the whole group; plenary sessions and panel discussions were held to stimulate thought about the outpouring of spiritual work; and practical ideas and projects were enumerated.

Plenary sessions and panel discussions included the following subjects:

- Meditation and intergroup work in preparing human consciousness;
- Group work: integration, fusion and synthesis;
- Building the antahkarana;
- Esoteric schools and programmes;
- Esoteric healing;
- Ageless Wisdom approach to the new world order: issues of globalisation and governance;
- Building the new civilisation and using money, the media and the internet to facilitate the reappearance.

It was agreed to set up 13 subjective working groups to continue building in thought in preparation for precipitation and anchoring in community group projects. These groups are as follows: 1. Exact time full moon meditation; 2. Intercultural synthesis; 3. Internet; 4. Media; 5. Outreach; 6. Planetary healing; 7. Psychology; 8. Resources; 9. Teacher's network; 10. Triangles seed group; 11. United Nations; 12. WSI energy and relationships management; 13. Youth.

Reports and plans can be found on the WSI website, <http://www.synthesis.tc>. All esoteric groups are invited to join in the group world service meditations to

be found on the website.

21 June 2003 – International Forum “From confrontation to dialogue of cultures and civilisations”, Brest, Belarus, in which the IPS was represented by Rudolf Schneider.

1-5 July 2003 – International Conference “Dialogue of Cultures”, Ufa, Russia

The conference was organized by Ufa State Petroleum and Technical University, Russian AWE Chapter and Danish Association of Gymnastics and Sports Clubs (DGI). Its themes were: dialogue of cultures as a means of mutual understanding; the necessity to cultivate tolerance from early childhood, to understand the diversity of the world and the culture of every nation. 20 presentations were made.

A youth seminar was also held during the conference. The youth seminar covered the following topics: DGI aims and activities; how to combine theoretical and practical knowledge, what is democracy, cooperation, trust, respect and community. Our proposals:

“EXCHANGE ON DEVELOPMENT” SEMINAR SERIES OF THE WORLD BANK GROUP IN GENEVA

15 May 2003 – The World Development Report 2004, “Making Services Work for the Poor”, by Mr. Shantayanan Devarajan, Chief Economist and Director WDR 2004.

7 July 2003 – The World Bank Experience with Poverty Reduction Strategies: an Update” by Mr. John Page, Director, WB Poverty Reduction Group.

1. To publish a newsletter on Activity of RAWE and on the next steps of our further cooperation with the University, DGI and Association of Foreign Students (AFS).
2. To ask a representative of AFS to inform the foreign students who are learning in Russia about the conference.
3. To have the next festival in Moscow (or Moscow region) in summer 2004 together with AFS.
4. To write a book about the system of education in Africa (within the framework of the project of RAWE “Education for World Citizenship”) with the help of AFS.

4-6 July 2003 – “The Inner Voyage”, a series of conferences and workshops with Shailen Popat, lawyer and teacher of Raja Yoga meditation at the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University for the past 15 years. He coordinates activities for youth groups. He talked on “How to develop your spiritual vitality”, “building self-esteem” and “wealth and power of silence”.

28 August 2003 – Global Economic Prospects and Developing Countries 2004: Realizing the Development Promise of the Doha Agenda by Uri Dadush, Director and Richard Newfarmer, GEP Lead Author, International Trade Department, the World Bank.

COOPERATION WITH COMMITTEES OF NGO WITH CONSULTATIVE STATUS AT THE UNITED NATIONS

IPS representatives participated in the Committee’s meetings of the Committee on Spirituality, Values and Global Concerns on 29 April and 4 June. Rudolf Schneider, who is a co-chair of the Committee, participated in a Board meeting on 20 May. On 17 June, a meeting with Acharya Meenakshi Devi was organised as part of the series “Dialogue with Religious and Spiritual Leaders”. Acharya Meenakshi Devi is the founder and Director of Vishva Shanti Sadhana Pratishthanam (Manohar Dham Dattapur, Wardha-442001, India. tel. +91-7152-248180, 240639, fax 248180, Ameenakshidevi@yahoo.com

dmeenakshi@hotmail.com, <http://www.myacharyaji.org>), an association with the motto “non-violent approach of true revolution” and dedicated to spirituality, culture, health care, youth welfare, education and interfaith harmony.

On 6 May 2003, the group “Jumping the Fence” of the Committee on the Status of Women organised a talk with Ms. Valentine Rugwabira, Ambassador of Rwanda, on “Reconciliation: the Road to Peace”

On 22 May 2003, the NGO Forum on Health and Values organised a seminar on primary health care.

BOOKS FOR WORLD SERVERS

“The Allies of Humanity – an urgent message about the **extraterrestrial** presence in the world today”, by Marshall Vian Summers, New Knowledge Library, ISBN 1-884238-33-5, <http://www.alliesofhumanity.org>. The Allies material was received as a transmitted message to the author from a non-human source communicating from beyond the world. The source of this information describe themselves as physical beings from other worlds who have gathered in our solar system near the earth for the purpose of observing the communications and activities of those alien races who are here in our world interfering in human affairs. The Allies’ stated purpose is to alert us to the risks of emerging into a Greater Community of intelligent life and to assist us in successfully crossing this great threshold in such a way that human freedom and self-determination can be preserved. The interesting point about this book is that it attributes the dangers to human freedom and self-determination to alien races interested in colonising the Earth in the same way as the Whites colonised the Indians. These are the same dangers some attribute to the Dark Lodge of materialistic forces, or to the new world order based on neo-liberalism. Whether these dangers come from humanity itself or from outer space, the analysis is the same. Human beings need to learn to trust in their own inner authority, not hope for salvation from outside sources of whatever nature, and uphold human freedom and fundamental rights in all circumstances.