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Subject: Annual Meeting of Culture of Peace Corporation

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Dear Culture of Peace Corporation Board,

Happy New Year to all of you!

I always enjoy the chance to see you personally and during 2016 I was pleased to see Jo Lofgren, Joe Yannielli and Gwen Beauvais.

One year ago, I began our meeting with an proposal to deal with the developing world crisis, and we ended the meeting with an agreement to work on an action plan with Federico Mayor, including the proposal for an alternative ("shadow") security council run by mayors instead of countries.

During the year, I continued to discuss this plan with Mr Mayor, and as of September he agreed to establish a formal Memorandum of Understanding to work on it between our corporation and the new institute he has established at the University of Madrid, the Institute for Human Rights, Democracy, Culture of Peace and Non-Violence at the Autonomous University of Madrid.

I attach my latest email to Mr Mayor, reminding him of our agreement, which has yet to be signed. I also attach copies of the draft agreement and plan of action.

In the meantime, I think most observers would agree that the world situation, already very perilous a year ago, has gotten even worse. I am writing about this in my blog this month.

I will welcome your consideration and advice on whatever role we can play as the Corporation.

In the meantime, we have some routine business to attend to. For reference, I attach the conclusions of last year's annual meeting. According to our bylaws, each of you are expected to respond to this email to all of us within two weeks.

ITEM 1. Board of Directors Membership

The following five board members are up for re-election: Isabelle

Legare, Meg Villanueva, Diana Tashkova, Oliver Rizzi-Carlson, and Gwenaelle Beauvais.

Please indicate if you can stand for re-election.

Also indicate if you wish to suggest any other new Board members. At the present time, there are nine Board members, and the by-laws allow for ten.

ITEM 2. Responsibilities and addresses of Board Members.

All my books and websites are properties of the Corporation, and hence they are the responsibility of all Corporation Directors. It is best that each Director has his or her priority. Below are the primary and secondary responsibilities of Board Members as established in previous years. Please indicate if any changes are needed.

Also I am required to include your mailing addresses in the Corporation report to the State of Connecticut, so I have added the information I have to each of your names. Please tell me if it needs to be corrected.

Isabelle Legare - primary responsibility: books already published, secondary: books in process --- Apt A 18 02, Shaftsbury Residences, Jalan Impact, Cyber 6, Cyberjaya 63000, Selangor Darul Ehsan, Malaysia

Jo Lofgren - primary: books and plays in process, secondary: books already published, secretary --- 38 Rivermill, 151 Grosvenor Road , London SW1V 3JN, United Kingdom

Joe Yannielli - primary: CPNN, secondary: culture-of-peace.info, assistant treasurer --- 1674 Ella T. Grasso Blvd., New Haven, CT 06511

Marcos Estrada - primary: culture-peace.info, secondary: SFR --- 2 Whoberley Avenue, Coventry, CV5 8EP -UK

Roberto Mercadillo - primary: SFR, secondary: bulletin ---- Revillagigedo 47, Depto. 11-B. Mexico, D.F. 06050. Mexico.

Meg Villanueva - primary: bulletin, secondary: CPNN --- Plaza del Mar 1-4, Escalera B, 3^a-2^a, 08003 Barcelona, Spain

Diana Tashkova- primary: blog, secondary: relations with other organizations --- Strada Casa Bianca 36, Parma 43100, Italy

Oliver Rizzi Carlson - primary: relations with other organizations, secondary: blog --- Chemin de la Caracole 68, CH-1294 Genthod, Geneva, Switzerland

Gwenaelle Beauvais – primary: facebook of CPNN, secondary: CPNN --- 11
av du 43eme régiment d'artillerie, 14000 Caen, FRANCE

ITEM 3. Websites

I continue to maintain five websites that are formally owned by the Corporation:

- 1) The culture of peace news network: cpnn-world.org
- 2) my personal website: culture-of-peace.info
- 3) the culture of peace game: culture-of-peace-game.org
- 4) the culture of peace decade website and blog: decade-culture-of-peace.org
- 5) strategy for revolution in the 21st Century: SFR-21.org

I will send updated mailing lists separately to those of you who are responsible for them. And to those of you with gmail, I will send an updated copy of the your website(s) via google drive.

ITEM 4. – My books

Here is the updated mail-order information for my books:

World Peace through the Town Hall (revised edition, 2015):
createspace.com/3373203

Embrace the Fire (2015): <https://www.createspace.com/5575904>

I have seen the promised land: <http://createspace.com/3381493>

History of the Culture of War: createspace.com/3373265

Psychology for Peace Activists: <http://createspace.com/5572765>

Cultura de Paz (2015, Spanish, Herder, Europe): <http://www.herdereditorial.com/obras/5714/cultura-de-paz-una-utopia-posible/>
– translated by Roberto

Cultura de Paz (2015, Spanish, Herder, Latin America): <http://herder.com.mx/es/libros-books/cultura-de-paz-una-utopia-posible/david-adams/herder-mexico> – translated by Roberto

All except the Spanish book Cultura de Paz are available online at
<http://culture-of-peace.info>

Two of my books were published by UNESCO and are out of print and available to read only on my website as follows:

The Seville Statement on Violence: Preparing the Ground for the Constructing of Peace: <http://culture-of-peace.info/brochure/titlepage.html>

UNESCO and a Culture of Peace: Promoting a Global Movement:
<http://culture-of-peace.info/monograph/page1.html>

ITEM 5. – State of CPNN

During 2015, with the help of Joe Yannielli, I transferred CPNN to a new system, that of Wordpress. Unlike the old system which was a hodgepodge of programming that I did myself – very difficult for

someone else to work with – the new one is the most common system on the Internet and understandable by all programmers.

During 2016, I separated the wordpress site into three separate sites for the three languages: cpnn-world.org/new/ for English; cpnn-world.org/french/ for French; and cpnn-world.org/spanish/ for Spanish.

We continue to publish an average of one article per day. Unfortunately, the proportion of articles contributed by CPNN reporters remains very low.

Bulletins are sent around the first of each month to a mailing list of 4300 (English, Spanish and French). Notice of the monthly blog based on the bulletin is sent to a mailing list of 360. Unfortunately, these numbers have hardly increased in recent years. Any help you can provide in this regard will be appreciated.

ITEM 6. – Financial report

The financial report for the Corporation for 2016 is attached. As you can see, the situation remains stable. About 25% of the expenses were covered this year by royalties from the Spanish book, but I continue to provide my personal money to maintain the balance. By the way, my will and testament stipulates that if there is money in my personal banks accounts, it will go to the Corporation.

ITEM 7. – Website domain information

All of our websites are registered in the name of the Culture of Peace Corporation.

Four of our five websites are registered with Tucows by way of the internet provider Prohosting.com. These are cpnn-world.org, culture-of-peace-game.org, decade-culture-of-peace.org and sfr-21.org.

The website culture-of-peace.info is registered with Network Solutions by way of the internet provider XO web hosting.

Registrations of all five websites have all been paid in advance until 2020 or 2021.

ITEM 8. – New Haven Peace Commission and State of the Culture of Peace in New Haven

As a member of the New Haven Peace Commission, I am responsible for the annual report on the State of the Culture of Peace in New Haven. I am now writing a draft of the report which will be sent to Commission members for their approval. Once the report is adopted I will send it to you.

I continue to hope that the Peace Commission report can serve as a model for other cities, and would appreciate your help to identify possible contacts for this.

Thank you for your consideration.

Peace through struggle, and patience,

David

Attachments:

- 1) Conclusions from annual meeting in January 2016
- 2) Financial report for Corporation – 2016
- 3) Email to Federico Mayor, November 25, 2016
- 4) Draft Memorandum of Understanding with Mayor's Institute
- 5) Draft Plan of action for the Memorandum of Understanding

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FINAL MAILING

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Final round of annual meeting of Corporation

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Dear Culture of Peace Corporation Board,

Thank you for your prompt responses to the second round of our annual meeting.

We have voted unanimously to re-elect Meg, Oliver and Gwenaelle as directors, to offer a directorship to Romeral Ortiz Quintella, and to offer the unique position of director emeritus to Cecile Barbeito.

Here is an updated list of our addresses and, where provided, telephone numbers.

Meg Villanueva: Unit 2008, Knightsbridge Residences, Kalayaan Avenue, Century City, 1200 Makati, Philippines

Jo Lofgren McAuley: 38 Rivermill, 151 Grosvenor Road , London SW1V 3JN, United Kingdom

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Gwenaelle Beauvais: 1 place du collège 14680 Bretteville sur Laize, France, telephone +336 58 33 03 82

David Adams. 95 Lyon Street, New Haven, CT, 06511, USA. My phones are 1-203-772-6672 in the US and 332-3517-5583 (fixed) or 336-8127-3062 (portable) with Kiki in France.

You have all received the google drive documents for our books, websites and mailing lists. This replaces the old data on Spider Oak.

Here are the new actions we have decided to undertake:

- 1) To send the invitation to Romeral Ortiz Quintella. I will now ask Meg to formulate the invitation with me.
- 2) To send the invitation to Cecile Barbeito. I have already sent the invitation, since she was copied our correspondence on the matter. You should have received copies of the email sent to her. We await her reply.
- 3) To follow up on the proposed agreement with Mr Mayor's Institute. I sent him another email. Once I have heard back, I will work with Joe, Roberto and Oliver on the followup and keep you all informed..
- 4) To contact teachers and students to write for CPNN with special recognition on the CPNN site. I will ask Gwen and Oliver to work with me on this and keep you all informed.
- 5) To take the first steps towards raising some money. I will work with Oliver and with Joe (who is assistant treasurer) starting with Jo's suggestion of a PayPal button on the CPNN website along with wording adapted from that mentioned by Meg : "Your support is crucial to help us grow, increase staff, develop new features, resource guides, and more. Please consider making a donation, whatever you can." We will keep all of you informed.

Since we voted unanimously on all of the motions on which voting was needed, we have now concluded the formal requirements of our annual

meeting, and the next regularly-scheduled meeting will take place
January 1, 2018.

Peace through struggle and patience,

David