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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!

Kiki and I cordially invite all of you - with your families - to our wedding on June 22 this year. It will be a great chance to get all of us together. We have rented a nearby gite for the week starting on June 22 so you can stay around with us after the wedding. It will be helpful to us to know how many of you are coming, once you have made your plans.

The wedding will be at our home in Grandcourt, Upper Normandy. The address is 16 route de Dieppe, Grandcourt 76660, France and our telephone is +332 3517 5583.

We are close to the port city of Dieppe which has a ferry coming from Newhaven near Brighton in the UK. If you are coming from Paris, the easiest is to take the train from Gare du

Nord to Abbeville which is near us. We can arrange the transport from Dieppe or Abbeville.

Three years 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. Two years ago, I reported that Mr Mayor suggested that we make an agreement for this with the new Institute at the University of Madrid which he helped to initiate. Last year, it seemed that the plan was not possible. Now once again, Mr Mayor has said that he has received some money from the new Spanish government, and we should visit him in February to make the agreement. I'll be in touch with you as that develops.

In the meantime I attach the most recent draft agreement and action plan that I sent recently to Mr Mayor, as well as my recent blog with a rationale for the project. Since Mr Mayor has not yet replied to the mail I sent, this is the moment for you to add your suggestions for the draft agreement and action plan.

Our Corporation and its bank account remain based in the state of Connecticut, although I have relocated to France. In order to do this I have engaged the attorney Jim Whitney as our agent in Connecticut. He is the attorney who established the Corporation for us in the beginning. His coordinates are 51 Elm St, New Haven, 06510, telephone +1-203-865-7380. As for the bank account, I have attached the annual financial statement along with its change of address.

As always 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 all of us within two weeks.

ITEM 1. Board of Directors Membership

Four members of the Board are up for re-election for another 4-year term: Joe Yannielli, Jo Lofgren McAuley, Marcos Estrada, and Roberto Emmanuelle Mercadillo. They all continue to contribute substantially to the work of the Corporation. I nominate them for re-election and await your votes which I hope will be positive.

Four other Board members were elected or re-elected in January 2017 and will not be up for re-election until January 2021: Oliver Rizzi Carlson, Meg Villanueva, Gwenaelle Beauvais and Romeral Ortiz Quintilla

Isabelle Legare left the Board a few years ago when she moved to Malaysia, but now she is back in New York, working at the United Nations for the Department of Youth. She continues to be interested in our work for the culture of peace and is agreeable to come back as a Board Member. I nominate her for election and hope that each of you will cast a vote for her as well.

ITEM 2. Responsibilities and addresses of Board Members.

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. Also please add or correct your telephone number.

Jo Lofgren McAuley - primary: books and plays in process, secondary: books already published, secretary --- 38 Rivermill, 151 Grosvenor Road , London SW1V 3JN, United Kingdom telephone +44-7990-545935

Joe Yannielli - primary: CPNN, secondary: culture-of-peace.info, assistant treasurer --- Please add your new address and telephone number in the UK

Marcos Estrada - primary: culture-peace.info, secondary: SFR --- University of Warwick, Sherbourne 6, Marcos Estrada (Tutor), Coventry CV4 7ES, United Kingdom, telephone +44 7958529135 .

Roberto Mercadillo - primary: SFR, secondary: bulletin ---- Revillagigedo 47, Depto. 11-B. Mexico, D.F. 06050. Mexico. telephone 521-55-2850-9337

Meg Villanueva - primary: bulletin, secondary: CPNN --- Unit 2008 Knightsbridge Residences, Valdez St., Century City, 1200 Makati, Philippines. Please add a phone number if possible

Oliver Rizzi Carlson - primary: relations with other organizations, secondary: blog --- Chemin de la Caracole 68, CH-1294 Genthod, Geneva, Switzerland. Please add a phone number if possible.

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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

Last year, I sent full information about these websites to Jo, Joe and Marcos.

ITEM 4. - My books

I have finally published two novels that I wrote over 50 years ago, entitled PEACE and Master of the House. PEACE

foreshadows my work at UNESCO 30 years later by describing how "Peace News" helps bring about a "World Peace Treaty." It is now online at <http://culture-of-peace.info/books/Peace.pdf> . Master of the House is a very experimental novel and is available for purchase at <https://www.amazon.com/Master-House-David-Adams/dp/1727137833> and can be read online at <http://culture-of-peace.info/books/MOTH.pdf> (it takes a while to load since it is a very large pdf file)

Here is the mail-order information for my other books (createspace has now been replaced by Amazon dp):
World Peace through the Town Hall (revised edition, 2015):
<https://www.amazon.com/dp/1441480420>

Embrace the Fire (2015): <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1514661209>

I have seen the promised land: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1442154659>

History of the Culture of War: <https://www.amazon.com/dp/1441480986>

Psychology for Peace Activists: <https://www.amazon.com/Psychology-Peace-Activists-psychology-generation/dp/1514638959>

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

Last year I sent a modus operandi detailing how to operate CPNN to Jo, Joe and Marcos. Nothing important has changed since then.

We continue to publish an average of one article per day. Repeating what I said last year, the proportion of articles contributed by CPNN reporters remains very low. Janet Hudgins from Canada is the one effective reporter now, sending me links to many of the articles that we end up using, rather than actually writing articles herself. It would be useful if a few people in other parts of the world would do the same.

Bulletins are sent around the first of each month to a mailing list of about 3500 (English, Spanish and French). Notice of the monthly blog based on the bulletin is sent to a mailing list of about 600. Unfortunately, these numbers have hardly increased in recent years. Any help you can provide in this regard will be appreciated.

Last year, I estimated that CPNN got about 300 visitors a day during 2017. The data for 2018 are the same.

ITEM 6. - Financial report

The financial report for the Corporation for 2018 is attached. As you can see, the situation remains stable. I continue to provide my personal money to maintain the balance.

ITEM 7. - Website domain information

All of our websites are registered in the name of the Culture of Peace Corporation. The only changes since last year is to make the address and phone number those listed above for my new home in France

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. Legal responsibilities for maintenance of the Corporation

As Chair of the Corporation, I file the annual Corporation report to the State of Connecticut and pay the state and federal corporation taxes. I enclose some detail about this.

ITEM 9. Other news.

Since Wikipedia is consulted by many people when they search information on the Internet, I have worked in the last year to put information there about the culture of peace in the following new Wikipedia pages:

Culture of peace
David Adams (peace activist)

along with additions to the following:

Culture of Peace News Network
International Year for the Culture of Peace
International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence
for the Children of the World
International Day of Peace
Peace education

Thank you for your consideration.

Peace through struggle, and patience,

David

Attachments:

- 1) Conclusions from annual meeting in January 2018
- 2) Financial report for Corporation - 2018
- 3) Legal responsibilities for maintenance of the Corporation
- 4) Bylaws
- 5) Mayor: draft agreement
- 6) Mayor: draft action plan with budget

7) Blog from December 2018: rationale for alternative security council

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Final round of Corporation Annual Meeting of January 2019

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Dear Board Members,

Thank you for your participation in this year's annual meeting.

This completes the meeting, but we have more work to do, so let's continue by working in four sub-committees.

I. Sub-committee on project with Federico Mayor

Joe Yanielli and I will continue to be in contact with Mr Mayor who has replied (by both email and telephone) that he is awaiting approval of the budget from the Spanish Foreign Ministry. Joe and I have indicated that we are available until

March 11, but after than it becomes problematic until after June. We will keep all of you informed and hope that others can join us when the meeting date is finally decided.

2. Sub-committee on social media strategy.

Meg plans to send a first draft around mid-February to all who are interested. This should include me, as well as Oliver, Romeral and Joe Yannielli. If others among you wish to be included, please indicate in an email to me and Meg.

3. Sub-committee on CPNN project with teachers and students

Oliver has spoken to Tony Jenkins of the Global Campaign for Peace Education about this: "Tony is on board and I see many possibilities for collaboration." This is a project that we started back in 2017, at which time we got so far as to make a rough draft of an announcement to send out to teachers' networks (see attached). I suggest that Oliver head up a subcommittee to continue this initiative. I will stay involved, and if others wish to take part, please indicate so to me and to Oliver.

4. Sub-committee to update Wikipedia article on UN Security Council Resolution 2250

There is a Wikipedia article on this already at https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_Nations_Security_Council_Resolution_2250 . However, the Wikipedia editors have asked that "This article needs more links to other articles to help integrate it into the encyclopedia."

Romeral and Meg work closely on the resolution both in SRI Lanka and Philippines. Romeral will work on this sub-committee with Meg and David. If others among you wish to be included, please indicate in an email to me and Romeral.

We have also discussed the following items.

ITEM 1. Board of Directors Membership

There seems to be general agreement with the following opinion of Oliver: "I think having new members on the Board should be considered only if there is someone who has specific interest, expertise and ideas they can work on within the Corporation. Otherwise, I think we should keep the current group."

ITEM 2. Responsibilities and addresses of Board Members

Noted.

ITEM 3. Websites

Noted.

ITEM 4. My books

Oliver says "Thanks for the suggested reading order - and a new book of poetry! My mom is a poet so I have a special appreciation for that."

ITEM 5. State of CPNN

Two of the sub-committees (social media strategy and teachers/students project) will follow up on the suggestions made

ITEM 6. Finances

The project with Mayor could provide some funding. Oliver suggests that some financing could also come through the students&teachers project. He thinks we could have a Patron page (regular, long-term crowdfunding) for CPNN or other content we can produce and he adds that for specific projects, we can apply for grants. In this regard, Marcos reminds us that it really time consuming to prepare a grant application and the results are not guaranteed.

ITEM 7. Website domain information

Noted.

ITEM 8. Legal responsibilities for maintenance of the Corporation

Noted.

ITEM 9. Wikipedia

Marcos remarks that working with Wikipedia is a good strategy since, although it is not valued in academia, it is the best way to get a website well-ranked on google.

With regard to an article on UNSCR2250, Romeral will work with David in the sub-committee above.

Oliver says "I think we'll be able to write more articles and coordinate on that properly once we have a more frequent meeting / communicating schedule (see below). I think we should make sure there is at least one Wikipedia page for each major topic related to the Culture of Peace and/or any area of activity of the Corporation, and that they are linked to one another. If any such pages already exist, we should make sure to add any relevant information to them.

OTHER ISSUES - COMMUNICATION

There seems to be general agreement that we have additional means of communication in addition to this annual meeting by email. Oliver suggests it can be by Skype or WhatsApp. Romeral suggests a Skype meeting, perhaps twice a year. Oliver suggests that we check in at least quarterly and also have a WhatsApp group to exchange some quick ideas whenever they arise so we can coordinate in a more timely fashion on the various project ideas. And Marcos notes that "I guess most (if not all) of us use WhatsApp."

Oliver says he is happy to set up the WhatsApp group if everyone agrees (and if we have everyone's WhatsApp number). Then we can give ourselves short deadlines (a week or so?) to complete small tasks (such as writing a list of what articles on Wikipedia relate to the Culture of Peace, then which articles to add to, then write a short article, etc.) and so on in similar fashion for other projects as well. That should make it manageable and should help us keep moving the projects forward.

Let's begin by establishing Skype and WhatsApp networks. Although in principle, this is a good idea, personally, I am a bit skeptical because Board members are so busy that it is already difficult to get a full exchange for this annual email meeting of the Corporation.

As for Skype, my Skype name is adams2peace
Romeral informs us that her Skype name is romeralortiz
I suggest that when the rest of you have a chance, send me a message on Skype with your Skype name. I'll reply and eventually share all the Skype names in this way.

As for WhatsApp, Oliver will enter the telephone number for each of us into a WhatsApp group unless you disagree to me and him by email.

Hopefully many of us will have a chance to discuss this further after the wedding in June.

JUNE WEDDING AND MEETING

To repeat from the previous mailing, Kiki and I are looking forward to seeing most of you at our wedding on June 22. We know from your replies that Jo McAuley and her family will be here, as well as Oliver and Luiza and very likely Meg who has to come the furthest - from the Philippines!. We welcome Meg's "60% probability" that she can stay for a few days and help organize a face to face meeting of whoever else are coming. I hope that as many of you as possible can come to the wedding and take part in meetings in the days that follow. As you make your plans, please keep all of us informed so that we can coordinate as much as possible your transportation

from the British ferry to Dieppe, the airports of Paris, etc. and so that we can plan the dates of your accommodations (we have rented two gites for a full week beginning June 21).

Thank you for this productive meeting.

Peace through struggle and patience,

David

attachment: proposal for teachers