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September 29, 2000

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Dear Dr. Pinna and Conferees of the Third International World Mediation Congress:

I am deeply honored that you have chosen to confer on me the "Listening Award" for my contribution to Richard Salem's book, *Witness to Genocide: The Children of Rwanda*. I am grateful to Richard for his invitation to be part of this work and I regret that I am unable to be there to thank him and each of you personally.

As First Lady of the United States, I have had the opportunity to speak with people from around the world. These conversations always highlight how much we share in common. We all want decent health care, jobs that pay a living wage, a good education and a clean environment. Perhaps more than anything, we want our children to grow up in safety in a world free of violence.

I believe that books such as *Witness to Genocide* bring us closer to that better world. Through the drawings of children who were there, we see an uncommon portrayal of the brutality that defined Rwanda in 1994. Through the eyes of children, we learn important lessons about the enormous social cost of violence and the long, painful path toward recovery. If we fail to heed their warnings, children will continue to be the victims.

Learning how to resolve differences is essential to efforts to end violence. As mediators, you bring knowledge and experience to communities in conflict to help them find common ground. As a long-time advocate for children, I know how difficult it can be to try to change the attitudes and behavior of others and I applaud your efforts and achievements.

I send my thanks to you for your work to secure a safer and better future for all the world's children and my best wishes for a wonderful event.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Hillary Rodham Clinton". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Hillary Rodham Clinton

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**CENTRO DI RICERCA
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DEL POTENZIALE UMANO**



CENTRO DI RICERCA PER LO SVILUPPO ED IL RECUPERO DEL POTENZIALE UMANO

The Hon. First Lady
Hillary Rodham Clinton.
The White House
Washington D.C.
United States of America

Dear Hon. Hillary R. Clinton,

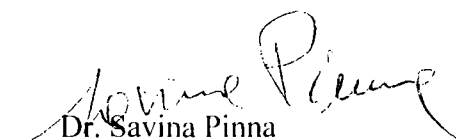
We would like to thank you for the response to our invitation to participate at the **III World Mediation Forum Congress**, scheduled this year, **27 september – 01 october, 2000**.

As President of the Association **CE.RI.UM.**, *Centro di Ricerca per il Recupero e lo Sviluppo del Potenziale Umano* (*Research Centre for the Recovery and Development of the Human Potential*), I have the pleasure to communicate, among official letter (attached), that the Steering Committee of our Association has decided, after the reading of the book ***Witness to genocide – The children of Rwanda – Drawings by child survivors of the Rwandan genocide of 1994***, to attribute an official Award to Your's honourable person, the First Lady of the United States, to the author of the book, Dr. Richard Salem, and to the great mediator John Haynes and his wife, for the sensibility how You pick the heart-rending voices of the suffering childhood.

We hope that You would like to accept the contribute of our sensibility to everything 'big' You are doing as First Lady, as Woman, as Person, to listen the requests of the society.

We wish You a great success in all the meaning of this word, and we are close to You with our attention to all the project that You are realizing for America and for the World.

You are, for us of the World Mediation Forum, the symbol of the mediation process.


Dr. Savina Pinna
CE.RI.UM. President

Delegate for the Organization of the III WMF Congress





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To **Hillary Rodham Clinton**
Richard Salem
John and Gretchen Haynes.
United States of America

Re: the presentation of International Awards

C.E.R.I.U.M., *Centro di ricerca per lo sviluppo ed il recupero del potenziale umano* [Research Centre for the Development and Recovery of Human Potential] is an officially recognised non-profit cultural association. In an extraordinary meeting it has been decided to assign three international awards during the **III World Mediation Forum Congress** in order to crown this event by associating it with the "task" of spreading of the voice of humanity which rises in all the world in an appeal for help.

The **III World Mediation Forum Congress**¹ is an initiative aimed at creating a platform for agreement where mediators, politicians, religious leaders and scholars of every discipline and professionals from every walk of life: lawyers, judges, psychologists, sociologists, educators, educationalists, teachers, doctors, engineers, economists, social workers and managers may discuss and exchange ideas about initiatives, training schools and direct experiences.

Invitations to the **III World Mediation Forum Congress** have been made to representatives of the political world, government bodies and not, police, security and civil protection forces, religious institutions, voluntary associations, writers, artists, those who, at every level, deal with problems relative to human needs, above all in childhood, and to everything that contributes to the bringing about among individuals, groups and peoples a democratic and peaceful existence.

C.E.R.I.U.M. has instituted three international awards which are symbolic works by Sardinian artists:

- **VOICES OF CHILDHOOD**
- **LISTENING**
- **PIONEERS**

Voices of Childhood will be awarded to the writer **Richard Salem** (mediator and trainer, president of Conflict Management Initiatives, an organisation which upholds and encourages the use of mediation and other collaborative processes for the management of community conflict) for having published the book: *Witness to Genocide – The Children of Rwanda – drawings by Child Survivors of the Rwandan Genocide of 1994*.

Listening will be awarded to **Hillary Rodham Clinton** for her contribution of the preface to the book: *Witness to Genocide – The Children of Rwanda – drawings by Child Survivors of the Rwandan Genocide of 1994*. The American First Lady has shown an ability to listen and receive the tormented voices of tortured childhood. Without its echo, each voice is lost to the world! Her sensitivity as *mother, woman and leader* has given her this ability.

Pioneers will be awarded to **John M. Haynes Ph.D.**² and his wife **Gretchen** for their deep involvement and pioneering commitment in spreading mediation projects throughout the world. Above all in so far as John trained the mediators of the C.E.R.I.U.M. school, the first school in Sardinia to which he dedicated attention, care and predilection.

C.E.R.I.U.M. dedicates these symbolic awards to the sensitivity of those people who have been able to express a human and social dimension through their work, which transcends all boundaries. With great affection and recognition for the efforts made to bring about this opportunity for exchange and enrichment the **III World Mediation Forum Congress** is dedicated to John M. Haynes.

Dr. Savina Pinna
C.E.R.I.U.M. President
Delegate for the organization of the III WMF Congress
Savina Pinna

¹ **29 September 2000, 9.00 a.m.:** plenary meeting for the opening of congress proceedings. **1 October 2000, 6.00 p.m.:** closure of congress. The day and time for the presentation of the award to the First Lady, Hillary Clinton is left open, since Richard Salem and Gretchen Haynes will be present during the congress.

² John M. Haynes Ph.D. is well-known in Europe for his important contribution to Conflict Management and Mediation Techniques and for his numerous publications. His book, *Fundamentals of Family Mediation*, State University of New York Press, 1994, has been translated into five languages and eight different national editions. He has trained over 15,000 professionals in twenty different countries around the world. Dr Haynes was Founding President of the Academy of Family Mediators (1981-1985) and the first recipient of its Distinguished Contribution Award in 1989. He has been received as a consultant to the court system in Arizona, Delaware, Idaho, New Mexico, Texas, Washington, Quebec, Singapore, Norway and Great Britain. He is President of the Haynes Mediation Associates and the Mediation Training Institute, a national mediation training program for attorneys and mental health professionals. As President of the Scientific Committee of the III World Mediation Forum Congress he succeeded in giving an organisational structure to the event and pass on a clear view of his aims to Dott.ssa Pinna (President of C.E.R.I.U.M., delegated by the World Mediation Forum management committee to the organisation of the III congress. Unhappily he died on 22 December 1999.



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Mary Ellen McGuire,
Office of the First Lady,
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Dear Mary Ellen,

I believe that the First Lady is aware of the fact that an Italian-based organization has awarded both herself and the author an award for their work with Witness to Genocide. (I know that the appointment secretary Patti Solis Doyle had indicated that Mrs. Clinton would not be able to travel to Italy to receive it.)

The organization, CE.RI.UM (Research Center for the Recovery and Development of the Human Potential), will host the third international World Mediation Forum Congress in Sardinia this September. There will be about 300 mediators from around the world in attendance at the Congress.

The award will be formally announced at that time. The author, Richard Salem, is a speaker at the Congress (no doubt how they became familiar with the book so quickly) and will accept his award in person.

I am enclosing the original letters from CE.RI.UM sent to the author with a request that he forward them to the right office in the White House. You've been our primary contact so I will assume that you are the 'right office'.

You will see that the "Listening Award" citation states that *"The American First Lady has shown an ability to listen and receive the tormented voices of tortured childhood. Without its echo, each voice is lost to the world. Her sensitivity as mother, woman, and leader has given her this ability."*

Would it be possible for the First Lady to send a personal letter of appreciation for the award being made to her, as well as greetings to the 300 participants? Those in attendance will include many family mediators who regularly deal with child custody issues in divorces, primarily in the U.S., Europe, Australia and Latin America. These individuals are sensitive to the needs of children in emerging third world nations and would be aware of, sympathetic to and supportive of Mrs. Clinton's statements and actions on behalf of the children of the global village.

Finally, if it would be of interest to the First Lady, Friendship Press would be pleased to work with your office to plan an occasion this Fall when the award might be presented to her in person in New York. The author will likely be named a vice-president of the organization at the Congress and no doubt could represent those in Italy who made the award.

As always, and with every good wish, I am,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Randy Naylor". The signature is fluid and extends across the width of the text area.

Randy Naylor

encl. Original announcement and covering letter



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To: Mary Ellen McGuire, First Lady's Office **From:** Randy Naylor, Assoc. General Secretary

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Date: July 19, 2000

Re: Award to Mrs. Clinton

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• **Comments:**

Dear Mary Ellen,

I trust you received our special delivery last week containing the official letters from Sardina as to the award being given to the First Lady. This international conference is drawing a lot of support in Sardinia, and as you will see in the following e-mail just received, the awards are to be presented in the Cagliari Opera House by the President of the Sardinian Assembly, with other social and political leaders in attendance. It is to be broadcast on the Internet. The exact note follows:

"I think is a good new, even for the White House, that we will transmitt via Internet the Congress, especially the most important parts, inauguration, International Award, Conclucion . The Internationa Award evening and the Conclusion of the Congress will be held at Teatro Lirico di Cagliari (Cagliari Opera House) with the Internationa Award, Concert and Gran galà, everything sponsored by Cagliari Council and are partecipating all the authorities (Poilitical - President of the Sardinian Assembly, President of the Sardinian Local Government, Mebers of the Italian National Parliament and Senate and Rappresentant of the Italian Government, religius, military, Universities...).

We have two press offices: one in Milan and one in New York. I give you the address of the one in New York: Mrs Laura Alfieri: 001-9173851155."

Mary Ellen, in my last letter I encouraged your office to consider a 'personal' response from the First Lady to this award. That might be even more critical now. If the First Lady decides to write a personal response the author of Witness to Genocide, who will be there to accept his award, is willing to read the letter at the ceremony.

They also mention that they have a New York press liaison. How would the First Lady's Office feel about a press release announcing the presentation of the award etc. being made in the early Fall? I understand that this would be a political judgment call.

If I can be of any assistance in any of this, please do not hesitate to call. All the best,



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To: Mary Ellen McGuire, First Lady's Office **From:** Randy Naylor, Assoc. General Secretary

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Re: Book launch **CC:**

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• **Comments:**

Dear Mary Ellen,

After taking forever to complete, it seems that everything related to Witness to Genocide: The Children of Rwanda is now moving along at a record breaking speed. The printer has advised us that first copies will be off the press on Thursday the 17th.

The Executive Board of the National Council of Churches (our parent body, with representatives of our 35 denominational members from throughout the land) is meeting in Washington on the 22nd and 23rd, and we have decided to take advantage of that meeting to hold an official launch of the book.

I know this is absurdly late, but is there any chance that the First Lady would be able to join us even briefly on Tuesday afternoon May 23rd at 2:00 p.m.? We will be meeting on the Hill, likely in the Hall of States, but I can confirm that later in the week. At this point I just wanted to check on the date. If the date is possible we will send a formal invitation later in the week.

New York is our home base (we are adjacent to Columbia University on the Upper West Side) and we will want to have a book launch here as well. If there are any days in early June that might be possible for Mrs. Clinton to attend a launch here, please let me know--for the NY launch our dates and times remain flexible.

The book looks very attractive and I think it is something which all those who have contributed can be proud. Net proceeds from the sale of the book will be used to support trauma treatment services for the children of Rwanda.

Best wishes,

Randy Naylor



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISERS

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20500

MEMBER

June 1, 2000

Dear Ms. Sagawa:

Recently, the First Lady received an invitation to participate via interactive videoconferencing in a presentation to the gala dinner of the King David Schools Foundation in Johannesburg, South Africa in September or October of this year. Given her New York Senate race, it is obviously even more difficult than usual for her to accept such an invitation.

Nonetheless, since I am a graduate of that school system, I wanted to offer you any help you might need in deciding upon your response. I believe it is an extremely worthwhile cause, and if the First Lady were able to accept, it would have a tremendous impact.

Sincerely yours,

Robert Z. Lawrence

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MEMORANDUM VIA FACSIMILE

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August 2, 2000

**Appointment Request for Miss Akiko Yamanaka,
Former Representative of the Japanese Diet**

Miss Akiko Yamanaka, former member of the House of Representatives, Japan, will be visiting Washington, DC between the afternoon of Friday, August 4 and the morning of Wednesday, August 9, 2000. Having met with you on May 5, 1999, Miss Yamanaka wishes to schedule an appointment with you during this visit.

A member of Foreign Minister Yohei Kono's faction of the Liberal Democratic Party of Japan, Miss Yamanaka is very active in issues concerning foreign policy and national security and also involved in the U.S.-Japan Legislative Exchange. Additionally, having lost the June election by only a slight margin, it is well-known that Miss Yamanaka is pursuing an early comeback to the Diet.

We recognize that this is very short notice; however, we truly hope that it will be possible to realize a meeting. I shall contact you soon to discuss the possibility of scheduling an appointment.

For your reference, a biography of Miss Yamanaka is enclosed. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

She lost her seat in last general election, June 25.

AKIKO YAMANAKA

MEMBER, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

[PROFILE]

Graduated from the English Literature Department of Tsuda College. After serving as a teaching assistant in the Economic Department of Hokkaido University, lecture in Seishu Junior College, and Professor the Department of Humanities of Hokkai Gakuen University (Intercultural Studies). She is currently a member of the House of Representatives, where she serves on the Foreign Affairs Committee, Standing Committee on Audit and Oversight of Administration, and the Budget and Administrative Reform Committee. She comes from the city of Otaru.

[PRINCIPAL PUBLIC POSTS / ACTIVITIES]

Visiting Professor, Tama University

Chairperson, International Committee, Japanese Federation of BPW International

Previously:

Special member, Development Council, Hokkaido Development Agency;

Member, Coal Production Area Promotion Council, Ministry of International Trade and Industry;

Member, Overall Hokkaido Development Committee;

Member, Hokkaido Agricultural Administration Council;

Member, Hokkaido Fishery Administration Council;

Member, Hokkaido Sightseeing Council

Vice Chairperson, Environment Council, City of Sapporo

[MAIN WORKS]

"Families and Life in Northern Europe"

"Study of the Internationalization of Hokkaido"

"Seeking a Richer Hokkaido-Considering the Living Environment"

"Hokkaido Will Change Japan" (1996)

"Nagatacho Elegance" (1997)

[RECENT SPEECHES]

The John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, November 18, 1998.

Title: "Changing Roles of Japanese Women"

Harvard University Program on US-Japan Relations, November 17, 1998. Title: "Peace and Security in the Asia-Pacific: Looking Toward the 21st Century"

Princeton University's US-Japan Program, November 12, 1998. Title: Threat and Promise: Challenges to Japanese Security in the 21st Century

Columbia University's East Asian Institute, November 11, 1998. Title: "The Future of Politics and Issues in Japan"

Center For Strategic and International Studies, Washington DC, November 6, 1998, Title: "The Future of US-Japan Relations"

Brookings Institution, Washington DC, November 5, 1998, Title: "The North Korean Problem"

The International Symposium on Preventive Diplomacy, Beijing, July 20-21, 1998. Title: "Preventive Diplomacy in the Asia Pacific"

Fourth Ministerial Conference for the Environment, Aarhus, Denmark, June 23-25, 1998. Title: "Japan, Europe and a Global Environmental Network"

Global Environment Facility (GEF), Parliamentarians for a Global Environment, New Delhi, April 2, 1998. Title: "Global Solutions to the Environmental Problem"

[PRINCIPAL INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES]

1985: Member of the Hokkaido Delegation to the World NGO Conference in Nairobi during the U.N. Decade for Women.

1986: M.C of the World Conference of the International Federation of the University Women, held in New Zealand.

1987: Receipt of the "Sen Kayoko Prize (for contribution to International understanding)" of the International Scouting Japan.

1989: Staying in Canada after receiving Canadian Federal Government's Academic Research Subsidy.

1993: Observation of the Education Reform in Little Rock, Arkansas, the U.S.A.

1994: United States Information Agency International Visitors Program on Higher Education in the U.S.A.

1994: A Researcher at the Reichauer Institute of the Harvard University in the U.S., after engaging in research activities at the British Royal Institutes of International Affairs, the German Foreign Policy Research Association, the Swedish Environmental Institutes, and the Russian Science Academy

1995: Invited to the NGO Beijing Forum of the 4th World Women's conference.

1996: Member of the Japanese Delegation to the 22nd IFBPW Congress held in Italy.

1996: Japan-Korea Parliamentarians Meeting, Seoul, Korea

5th Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum, Vancouver, Canada.

1997: 17th US-Japan Parliamentarians Conference, Washington, DC, USA.

Japan Forum, Chicago, USA

WBEZ Radio Talk Show guest, Chicago, USA.

Japan-China Parliamentarians League visit to China
Pre-Handover Information Gathering Tour, Hong Kong.
Japan-Australian Young Statesmen Conference, Canberra, Australia
Great Britain, France Information Gathering Visit.
Tour of Washington, New York, Boston, USA. Met with a variety of top
policymakers and academics.
The Berlin Mandate Ad Hoc Committee on Climate Change, Bonn, Germany
1998: 6th Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum, Seoul, Korea.
Center for Strategic and International Studies visit, Washington, DC, USA
Inauguration of Kim Dae Jung, Seoul, Korea.
Global Environmental Facility Conference, India.
19th US-Japan Parliamentarians League Conference, Washington, DC, USA
US-Japan-Germany Parliamentarians League Conference, Washington, DC.
Japan-Russia Parliamentarians League Visit to Russia.
Japan-Canada Parliamentarians League Visit to Canada.
GLOBE International Annual Meeting, Cape Cod, USA
4th Ministerial Conference on the Environment, Aarhus, Denmark.
Meeting with Lady Margaret Thatcher, Tokyo.
International Symposium on Preventive Diplomacy, Beijing, China.
Japan-China Forum on Economic and Political Affairs.
25th Japan-Korea Parliamentarians League Conference.
World Humanity Trust Commission on Fisheries meeting in Brisbane, Australia
State of the World Forum, San Francisco, USA.

[PRINCIPAL AFFILIATED RESEARCH SOCIETIES]

The Japan Association of International Relations
The Japan Society for International Development
The Japanese Association for American Studies
The Japanese Association of Canadian Studies
The Japanese Association of College English Teachers

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committees after they retire. I have heard that women politicians often do not encounter the same number of invitations. Do you agree? And so, why do you think this is the case?

PS: I think what you heard is pretty accurate. You've got Jack Kemp [former Republican Congressman from New York] on more boards than you can shake a stick at and making dollars, but not Gerry Conner [former Congresswoman from New York]. You have several women in this country who it seems are on every single board. But congresswomen who are used to being independent and thinking for themselves scare board members to death. So, there is a hesitation to solicit them.

en: Simpson from Wyoming was retiring at the same time I was leaving the house. I think everyone knows that he says what he thinks. We probably both have strange voting records—we're not party-liners on either side. And I remember him complaining about being asked to sit on so many boards. He asked me, "How do you choose?" I said, "it's not a problem for me."

but it is very interesting that when I talk to new congresswomen when they retire, they find the same thing in most instances.

over: Ann Richards [former Governor of Texas] was telling me a story. She said she's on a corporate board. But she said, "you know I had to lean on some of my heavy friends, just twisting arms and tails and everything else." That's pretty shocking.

LE: What advice would you give today, to women who are in Congress, to assist them to ensure that they are a force to be reckoned with in the future?

PS: I think that the more women you get elected the better. And I think the next thing is for women to stick together. If we do that, we've got a shot at changing some things. So, I would certainly say to mentor more women, get more women running, encourage them to run and get them to stick together whenever you can.

LE: Thank you. SIGI

The Role of Women in Japanese Politics and Society

Akiko Yamanaka

I was elected to the Japanese parliament in October 1996, under the reformed electoral system. This new system replaced multi-seat constituencies with 300 single-seat and 200 proportional-seat representation.

At present there are 24 female members in the House of Representatives, out of 500 total. Women make up 15.3 percent of the Communist Party, 10 percent of Komeito Party, 3.3 percent of the Democratic Party, and only 1.8 percent of the ruling Liberal Democratic Party. There is stronger representation in the House of Councilors, with 43 female members out of 252, or 17.0 percent.

It is striking that the number of women in Japan's parliament is less now than in the very first parliamentary election under the new Constitution in 1947. At that time 39 women, 8.4 percent of a total of 466 members, were elected. Today, Japan ranks a disappointing 125th among nations in the number of women in Parliament.

Though the equal rights of women were written into the Constitution in 1947, the reality is far from the written law. Perhaps this can best be understood by looking back at Japanese traditions that still strongly influence Japanese society.

The image of the traditional Japanese woman is a wife who stays at home taking care of her children, her husband, and her husband's parents. She is obedient to her parents when she is young, to her husband when she is married, and to her children when she is aged. Therefore, it is said that a Japanese woman "has no home in three dimensions." That is to say, a woman cannot feel free or have time for herself throughout her life. The ideal Japanese wife is not happy as an individual.

In today's Japan, despite the emphasis on educating girls, there are still grave discrepancies between men's and women's professional advancements.



Akiko Yamanaka (SIGI/Japan)

Although the percentage of women students in higher education has been increasing each year, females are not receiving the same education as males. In 1996, for instance, the number of 18 year-old female students in higher education reached 48.3 percent. However, in 1997, 65.3 percent of university graduates and 79.9 percent of masters/doctorate level graduates were male. These statistics demonstrate that most female students are not in four-year universities but in two-year junior colleges.

An even more striking discrepancy is evident in the labor force. While the average rate of male labor across all age groups is 59.3 percent and that of females is 40.7 percent, for older employees, ages 40-54, the number of working women is 58 percent and working men is 42 percent. At the same time, many of these women, 40-54 years of age, are engaged in temporary, part-time jobs with low wages and without insurance.

It is still the case that many Japanese women do not place a high value on holding a "good job." According to a survey conducted by the Prime Minister's office, when asked "Are you ready to work at any time if there is a good opportunity?" only 29.8 percent of Japanese women answered "yes." This contrasts sharply with Western countries where, for example, 59.7 percent of American women, 52.5 percent of British women, and 37.4 percent of French women answered "yes" to the very same

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question. On the other hand, the response is reversed when women are asked the question, "Will you work after your children have grown up?" To this question, 47.2 percent of Japanese women answered "yes," as compared to only 40.7 percent of French women, 39.2 percent of British women, 31.1 percent of German women, and 26.6 percent of American women.

The environment for working women still needs great improvement in Japan. There is a social stigma attached to children whose mothers work. They are considered pitiful, unlucky children. The mothers are criticized for not taking adequate responsibility for their children, and yet they often need to work to afford a good education for them.

And the full-time mother—is she satisfied or happy? Here is an interesting figure: Nearly 70 percent of housewives have the responsibility of dispensing with the domestic budgets in Japan. They manage the monthly salaries and bonuses that are earned by their husbands. Many wives allocate to their husbands a monthly allowance for lunches or leisure-time expenses.

According to a survey by the Prime Minister's office, the response to the ques-

tion "Do full-time housewives have any trouble or not?" shows that 67.6 percent of Japanese wives have "trouble," compared with 48.8 percent of French women, 46.9 percent of British women, 39.6 percent of American women, and 38.9 percent of German women.

The definition of "trouble" is different in Japan than it is in the West. More than

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40 percent of Japanese housewives worry about the confinement of their lives and not having a social life, nearly 30 percent worry about money, and more than 20 percent worry about the difficulty of handling domestic finances in an increasingly

expensive society. For Western countries, the definition of "trouble" of course also varies, but British, French, and German women responded that their top concern is how boring their housekeeping work is, while Americans are worried about financial problems. If one also considers the fact that Japanese couples share fewer activities together after marriage, it is quite understandable that these isolated wives have more stress compared with those who share more responsibilities and activities with their husbands, as is more common in the West.

Since the 1985 Equal Employment Opportunity Law was passed in Japan, there have been several notable advances for women. All universities are open to women including such traditionally male bastions as the National Mercantile Marine College, Tokyo University of Fisheries and even the National Defense Academy. Companies are hiring more women to a wider range of jobs. Female stockbrokers, female marine captains and female jockeys are becoming visible. Ms. Sadako Ogata, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, is a wonderful example of how far a Japanese woman can advance in her career.

It goes without saying that Japanese women now have more choices in their lives than at any other time in history. Japanese society is changing slowly but steadily. Despite the relatively slow pace, the changes that have taken place have instilled in women a sense of self-reliance. The choices demanded may not be a mirror reflection of their Western counterparts but will, of course, reflect Japanese culture.

Japan's legislation must respect women's wishes and create opportunities for our young people to balance family life and career choices in a Japanese social system and infrastructure where equality is a reality.

Akiko Yamanaka (SIGN/Japan) is a Member of the Japanese House of Representatives. She also serves as the Chair of the International Committee of the Japanese Federation of Business and Professional Women. **SKI**



OPINION

Japan's chance to seize the peace initiative

Guest Forum

by AKIKO YAMANAKA

The nuclear tests conducted by India and Pakistan last month shattered the international system for controlling nuclear weapons and raised the specter of growing nuclear arsenals from Iran to North Korea. This could prove to be the greatest threat to the international system since the end of the Cold War. It could also prove to be the greatest opportunity in a generation to create a safer world, and a safer Asia-Pacific region, for the 21st century.

The international community could miss this opportunity if Japan does not take the lead in pushing for compromise between India and Pakistan and the nuclear powers. Last Saturday's U.N. Security Council resolution, which seeks to perpetuate the unfairness of the current system, offers neither a long-term vision of how to solve the problem of nuclear weapons nor a clear solution for the current crisis.

Japan should step in and provide the vision and determination to create a world free from the fear of nuclear annihilation and repair the damage done to peace in Asia and the Middle East. Japan must take a leadership role in solving this crisis, but in order to do so it must recognize that its traditional style of diplomacy will not work. Until now, Japan, along with the United States, has relied upon the Nuclear Nonproliferation and Comprehensive Test Ban treaties to control nuclear weapons. It was also hoped that official development assistance to countries like India and Pakistan (Japan is by far the largest donor to South Asia) would generate good will and influence with their leaders. In the end, those thousands of pages of paper and billions of dollars meant very little to India and Pakistan.

This latest challenge to the world order must be met against the background of the changing shape of international affairs. We must recognize the need to

fashion a more stable world, one that can weather serious crises. To do so, the world should redefine its concept of security as being "with" other nations, not "against" them. The 20th century has been dubbed the "century of war." We must work hard to make the 21st century a century of peace.

For its efforts in the current crisis to be successful, Japan must adopt a new style of diplomacy, capitalizing on its strengths. As the only country to have experienced firsthand the horrors of nuclear war and to have renounced the use, import and manufacture of nuclear weapons, Japan commands a special moral authority on the issue. In addition, Japan forbids the export of any type of weapon. From this moral high ground, Japan must work to form a new international consensus on nuclear weapons. Although it should frankly admit that it enjoys the protection of the U.S. nuclear umbrella, Japan remains the best nation to play the honest broker in resolving this crisis. If it succeeds, not only will Japan have kept in check the nuclear ambitions of North Korea, Japan's biggest worry, but perhaps even more importantly, it will have regained the world's trust in international affairs.

How can Japan take the initiative? It must approach this crisis with two hands. With one hand it must facilitate negotiations with and between India and Pakistan, and with the other it must pressure the five nuclear powers to compromise. At a Japan-initiated international forum, the path to nuclear-arms nonproliferation and elimination should be discussed. To ensure that this forum produces results, Japan should send a high-ranking politician beforehand as a special envoy to the U.S., Russia, Britain, France and China, as well as India and Pakistan, to help create a consensus. The unfairness of the NPT and CTBT regimes — allowing some nations to possess nuclear weapons but not others — is largely to blame for the current crisis. This must be redressed. And as last week's UNSC resolution indicates, it will require a major change in the nuclear

policies of the permanent members of the U.N. Security Council. The U.S. maintains the world's deadliest nuclear arsenal, is the only nation to have used nuclear weapons in war, has never ratified the NPT or CTBT and refuses even to endorse the goal of abolishing nuclear weapons. As a close friend, Japan must convince the U.S. of the need for compromise. At the same time, Japan should pursue discussions with the U.S. about a theater missile defense system for the Japanese archipelago.

Vice Foreign Minister Shunji Yanai's call for Pakistan to attend next month's meeting of ASEAN's Asia Regional Forum is an important first step toward improving dialogue in Asia about security concerns. To make this a truly regional effort, however, North Korea, which has already expressed interest in participating in ARF, should also be invited to attend. Japan should propose that the current U.N. general assembly be specially dedicated to tackling nuclear issues. Questions of Asia-Pacific security also need to be addressed. Foreign Minister Keizo Obuchi suggested earlier this year in his annual foreign policy address that Japan, the U.S., Russia and China should cooperate more fully to promote security in the Asia Pacific. This is an excellent proposal and should be revived. In the spirit of Canada's 1990 proposal for a North Pacific collective security dialogue, Japan should propose a meeting of these top powers. Indeed, their discussions could eventually include all the nations of the Asia Pacific.

Japan is faced with a historic opportunity to decisively influence the course of world events. But only if it uses an even-handed approach in its diplomatic efforts will the concerns of aspiring and established nuclear powers alike be adequately addressed. And only then can the world hope for a future free of nuclear weapons.

The unique position Japan finds itself in is both an honor and a burden. Future generations will judge us by how we act in the coming weeks and months.

Akiko Yamanaka, a member of the House of Representatives, serves on its Foreign Affairs Committee.

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OPINION

Tax reform can save Japan

By AKIKO YAMANAKA

Special to The Japan Times

The government has drafted a record ¥81.86 trillion (\$682 billion at ¥120 to the dollar) general-account budget for fiscal 1999. The budget calls for the government to issue a ¥31.05 trillion (\$258.75 billion) in new bonds, another record, to deal with dwindling revenues and increasing spending. Total bond issues, including those for reborrowing to meet the government's maturing bond obligations, amount to a whopping ¥71 trillion (\$591 billion). Tens of trillions of yen will also be injected into capital-short banks under a new system to prevent bank failures. Inevitably, future generations of Japanese will be saddled with huge debts.



To deal with the problem of the nation's fiscal health, an interim report recently published by the government's Economic Strategy Council recommended that the consumption tax, now 5 percent, be raised gradually from 2003 to 10 percent.

We must radically reform the consumption tax to improve standards of living and resuscitate the shrinking economy. To pay for this loss in revenues, we must simultaneously reform government fiscal policy.

First, we should move away from the current policy of across-the-board taxation. The consumption tax should no longer be applied to food, medical care, expenses connected with child-rearing and home purchases. This will contribute to stabilizing society in the long term while quickly eliminating uneasiness for the future. This system is already working in Britain, where a welfare-oriented tax system is emphasized more than in any other European country. Japan should employ this system since it is consistent with the European-style Value Added Tax that we have already adopted. Another important reform would be a shift

to an invoice system of tax collection. This means that tax rates can vary from item to item, giving our tax structure much-needed flexibility.

In preparation for the change in tax systems, we should suspend the present consumption tax until the year 2000, when the new tax regime — set at the same rate of 5 percent — takes effect. The amount of taxes to be suspended is equivalent to ¥15 trillion in economic stimulus. This will not only increase consumption, but it will also give families the opportunity to purchase big-ticket

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items such as cars and homes.

In the future, when we need to alter the ratio of direct taxes to indirect taxes, we will have the flexibility to ensure that most people, particularly the poor and welfare recipients, will not be hurt by these changes. Tax rates for vital goods can be left untouched, while the taxes on other items can be easily changed.

Though radical, this prescription for tax reform will not only stimulate the economy, but it will also serve as the cornerstone of our efforts to enhance Japan's quality of life into the 21st century.

Recently, Komeito and the Liberal Democratic Party agreed to increase the

government's share of the premium for pensions from the present one-third to one-half. This plan will reduce the amount the younger generation must pay for the aged. Indeed, it should increase the government's contribution by more than \$18 billion a year. This plan is critical to restoring people's confidence in the future and it is essential that it be implemented immediately, not sometime next century, as the LDP suggests.

Tax reform and pension changes of this magnitude will be very expensive. The government must find a way to make room for them on its balance sheet. I am confident sweeping changes in the government's budget-making process will reduce waste and allow us to accommodate any revenue shortage.

Under Japan's current, single-year budget allocating system, government agencies rush to spend at the end of each year the unused funds allocated to them in order to secure similar funding in the next year's budget. If we alter our budget system to a multiyear, purpose-allocating system, similar to the one in the United States, we should be able to eliminate this waste. This may require constitutional discussion, but it will be well worth the effort.

Simultaneous reforms in both tax and budget-making systems, taken in conjunction with the other reforms being proposed, are absolutely necessary if we are to emerge from this national malaise. The plan has three merits. First, it creates hope for the future. Second, it stimulates the economy. And finally, it will give us the flexibility to review the ratio of direct to indirect taxes in the future. In short, it will work to create a more secure society.

We are beset by one of the most dire crises in our history. To properly tackle it, Japan's lawmakers must clearly voice our opinions and search for bold solutions.

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James Hecht on Russia, Akiko Yamanaka on U.S.-Japan relations

RUSSIAN ROULETTE

To the Editor:

Clifford G. Gaddy and Barry W. Ickes present an accurate picture and thoughtful analysis but offer unwise advice to the West ("Russia's Virtual Economy," September/October 1998).

The authors believe that the West can either continue lending money to keep Russia stable or, as they prefer, eliminate lending to force the drastic necessary changes. But Gaddy and Ickes overlook other choices. The West should use micro-economic aid to help Russia convert from its virtual economy to a value-added one.

Consider one example. One reason Russian manufacturing turns out products worth less than their inputs is that energy is squandered. Russian engineers do not know how to save energy because Russian energy supplies have until recently been sold at a fraction of world prices. If Russian engineers were trained in energy management and a loan program was carefully structured to encourage energy conservation, Russia could increase oil and gas exports by billions of dollars a year.

Making such improvements in the Russian economy will not be easy. If the United States is to give effective assistance, it must do so without the corporate welfare and cronyism that has characterized most U.S. foreign aid in the past. The

United States has a big incentive to straighten out its foreign aid program. It should not take Gaddy and Ickes' risky course of action.

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LOOK BEFORE YOU LEAP

To the Editor:

Morihiro Hosokawa calls for radically restructuring the U.S.-Japan alliance ("Are U.S. Troops in Japan Needed?" July/August 1998). He proposes that in 2000 Japan should stop financing U.S. troops and take back two key naval bases.

The Japanese favor reducing the number of U.S. troops stationed on their soil. But because of deep concerns over Asian stability, most disagree with Hosokawa on how to downsize the U.S. presence. Hosokawa underestimates the threats to Asia's stability, from North Korea to Indonesia, China to India. Without an American presence in the region, Japan would be jeopardized. Any changes in the alliance or reductions in forces must be made carefully, after an informed debate by the people and their elected officials in both Japan and the United States. This is not just a debate for foreign-policy specialists. Americans rarely hear about and cannot appreciate

Letters to the Editor

the depth of Japan's commitment to the U.S. military presence—in dollar terms, \$4 billion per year.

There is a growing consensus in Japan, however, that it must eventually provide for its own security. For this to occur, U.S. forces, particularly ground troops, must be downsized. U.S. bases in Okinawa are the most controversial and should thus be addressed first. Talks on the U.S.-Japan Status of Forces Agreement should also start. This agreement has not been altered since its 1960 inception. In Germany, the Status of Forces Agreement has been renegotiated five times, most recently in 1993, when provisions addressing labor rights, the environment, noise pollution, and the jurisdiction of German courts over foreign military personnel were added. A similarly updated agreement would greatly relieve Japanese concerns over the U.S. presence.

In the post-Cold War world, nations cooperate with each other rather than confront an enemy. Although it has been slow to embrace this new spirit, the United States must recognize that Asia's long-term security is too big a job for it to handle alone. Asian stability continues to be precarious. Japan and the United States not only must renew their alliance, they must endorse preventive diplomacy and create an environment in which a reduced U.S. military presence does not stoke fears of instability. First, Japan must solve its economic problems so that fears of a Japanese devaluation do not continue to threaten Asian economies.

Second, Japan and the United States should convene an "Asia-Pacific Comprehensive Security Dialogue" in which all regional nations could frankly discuss issues of mutual economic, political, environmental, and military concern. This would build confidence and trust in Asia.

Only then, in an atmosphere of collective goodwill, can Japan start to think about significant American troop reductions. Hosokawa's frustration with the current state of the U.S.-Japan relationship is understandable, but that relationship cannot be changed hurriedly or unilaterally without endangering Japanese and Asian security.

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MEMO

To: Shirley Sagawa

From: Jill Blair

Date: May 17, 2000

RE: Letter of Greeting from the President

Dear Shirley:

In preparation for our 3rd Annual Conference, we have sent a letter to President Clinton asking him to provide a letter of greeting to our conference attendees that we will include in our program. He provided us with a letter for last year's conference as well. I am enclosing a copy of our letter of solicitation, and a copy of the letter that the President's office provided us with last year.

We would appreciate if you could offer any help in facilitating the process of obtaining the letter of greeting.

I will follow up with you regarding this matter. If you have any questions, please contact me at (510) 665-6130.

Thank You.

Enc: Letter to President Clinton, Letter of Greeting

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The Grantmaker Forum on Community & National Service

May 12, 2000

The Honorable William Jefferson Clinton
President of the United States
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President,

The Grantmaker Forum on Community and National Service is pleased to inform you that its third annual conference will take place this September 14th and 15th in Seattle, Washington. The Grantmaker Forum is an affinity group of private and corporate philanthropists who are interest in promoting the distinctly American tradition of citizen service. Our conference this year is focused on *Revitalizing Democracy: The Power of Service*.

We were honored last year and would be honored again this year if you were able to provide us with a letter of greeting for our attendees. Our membership greatly appreciates your continued investment in and support of community and national service. Your letter of support will be included in our conference program, which will go to print in early August. We would appreciate receiving the letter by August 18, 2000.

Thank you for considering this request. Our staff will contact your office to inquire about the status of this request. We have included a copy of the letter that your office prepared for us last year. This can be used as a basis for this year's letter as well. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

October 19, 1999

Warm greetings to everyone gathered in Berkeley, California, for the second annual conference of the Grantmaker Forum on Community and National Service.

Service to one another and to our country is at the heart of the American experience. The corporate, community, and private foundation members of your organization can be proud of upholding that tradition and of helping to ensure that the ethic of service and volunteering continues to thrive and grow in our country.

As we prepare to enter a new century and a new millennium, your work and the efforts of thousands of Americans who demonstrate every day the power and potential of community and national service give us great hope for the future. I commend each of you for striving to build stronger communities and a more compassionate nation.

Best wishes for a productive conference and continued success in your important work.

Bill Clinton

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To: Ms. Shirley Sagawa
Deputy Assistant to the President
Office of the White House

Fax: (202) 456-6244

From: Conference on Asian Pacific American Leadership

Phone: (202) 628-1307

Pages: Two (including cover page)

Re: Invitation to "A Tribute to APA Appointees -
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October 29, 2000

Ms. Shirley Sagawa
Deputy Assistant to the President
Office of the White House
Washington, D.C.

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Dear Ms. Sagawa:

In recognition of your sustained service to the nation and to the Asian Pacific American community, CAPAL would like to honor you and other APA appointees at "A Tribute to APA Appointees - Celebrating our Accomplishments, Preparing for our Future." A few will be especially recognized for their contributions. This celebration will be held on Wednesday, November 29, 2000 at 6:30 PM at the Bond Market Association at 1445 New York Avenue, overlooking the White House.

CAPAL, the Conference on Asian Pacific American Leadership, has helped motivate and prepare Asian Pacific American college and graduate students and young professionals to enter into and excel in government and public interest careers. We are proud of CAPAL's accomplishments just as we are proud of the leadership you exemplify.

An important part of fostering new leadership is to support those, like you, who have led the way. Thus, the APA community is taking time out to thank you for your great service to the nation. We hope that you will be able to join other appointees at this event. Especially in light of the many appointees who played significant roles in CAPAL's founding and early days (such as Paul Igasaki, Chantale Wong, Irene Bueno, and Ana Ma), we are truly proud of your accomplishments and know that many plan to join us in this celebration.

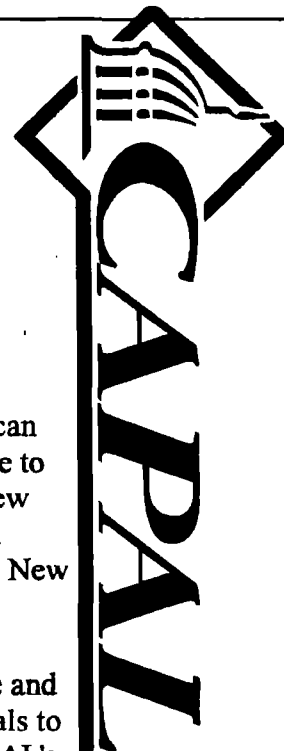
Proceeds enable CAPAL to continue to prepare future APA leaders. The celebration will support CAPAL's annual Washington Leadership Program which attracts APA college and graduate interns from around the nation and Asha Jaini Memorial Scholarship Program through which CAPAL provides scholarships for a select number of students to come to Washington. While we invite you as one of our honored guests, we hope that you will be able to make a contribution to CAPAL so that we can continue our work for the community. As CAPAL builds its own capacity to lead and gains corporate and community support, we continue to be run by an all-volunteer board and provide another mechanism for service to the APA community. Shortly, invitations will be mailed throughout the APA community. Tickets are only \$45 so that a larger cross-section of the community will be able to attend.

We look forward to seeing you and other appointees on Wednesday, November 29 at the Bond Market Association to express our appreciation and to thank you for jobs well done. To RSVP, please call CAPAL at 202-628-1307.

Sincerely,

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Shirley Sagawa
Assistant to the First Lady
The White House
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Dear Shirley:

The Corporation for National Service has successfully completed the second cycle of the National Service-Learning Leader Schools program, thanks in large part to your guidance and support as a Working Group member. As you know, there are now 136 schools serving as active winners through their participation in the Leader Schools network. In this third recognition cycle, the Corporation will once again recognize middle schools and high schools for their service-learning excellence. The program year has begun, and we are now looking for your guidance to keep things running smoothly. Please read the enclosed *Update* for a brief overview of program activities.

As you know, the next Working Group meeting for the Leader Schools program has been scheduled for **December 11 - 12, 2000** in Washington, DC. Among the issues for discussion at this meeting will be strategies for working with and supporting the Leader Schools network, as well as outreach and marketing of the program. We would also like to work on planning the 2001 awards ceremony and Leadership Institute.

On behalf of the Corporation for National Service, Educational Services, Inc. (ESI) will once again arrange for your travel and lodging, as well as cover your per diem expenses in accordance with government travel regulations. The meeting will convene on Monday, December 11 at 2:00 PM with program updates and an overview of key issues. Our working session will continue on Tuesday, December 12 with small group discussions and will wrap up by 2:00 PM. Please contact Amy Halstead (1-800-628-8442 or amyh@esilsg.org) to confirm your participation and to make arrangements for your travel and lodging. We would be grateful if you would confirm by November 21. Following your confirmation, you will receive preparation materials to review prior to your arrival.

I look forward to continuing our work with you and hope to see you next month. Best wishes for a happy Thanksgiving holiday!

Sincerely,

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WORKING GROUP UPDATE

THIRD RECOGNITION CYCLE BEGINS

Once again this year, the Leader Schools timeline coincides with the school calendar, and as such, the 2001 recognition cycle has begun with the announcement of the 2001 program inviting both middle schools and high schools to seek recognition. The Department of Service-Learning has increased its goal for nominations and will be working with the SEAs to support their recruiting and outreach efforts. In addition, now that the network of Leader Schools has grown appreciably, efforts in the coming year will be directed toward engaging the schools in a variety of activities to support service-learning locally, regionally, and nationally.

Outreach efforts have started even earlier this year, and applications are already in the hands of SEAs, who have begun their state outreach efforts. Many current Leader Schools will be assisting their SEAs with the search for 2001 applicants, with application technical assistance workshops, and with state-level reviews.

Program modifications made to the 2001 cycle were based on evaluation feedback from applicants, national peer reviewers, SEAs, and Leadership Institute participants. Their input will help to ensure that the Leader Schools program continues to run smoothly and recognize leaders in the service-learning field.

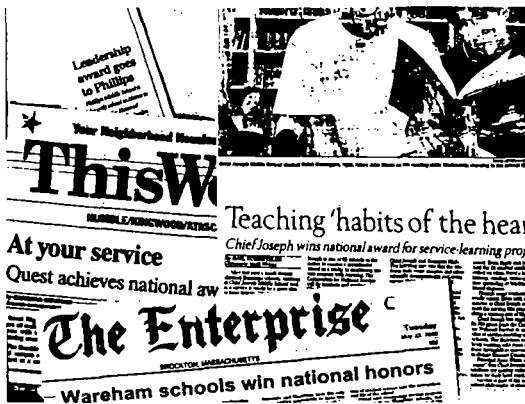
PROGRAM PUBLICITY

The Leader Schools initiative continues to generate substantial public awareness about service-learning and the Corporation for National Service.

Coinciding with the notification of the Leader Schools' principals, the Corporation notified each Member of Congress in whose district a Leader School was named. As a result of this effort, several Representatives contacted the school in their district to offer congratulations. Senator Kennedy placed a notice in the Congressional Record commending all of the Leader Schools.

In addition, the Corporation also notified the "hometown press" of each Leader School through customized press releases. Schools were encouraged to follow-up with local media outlets and invite them to cover the school's delegation receiving the award in Washington, DC. ESI's media team provided technical assistance to Leader Schools representatives on media follow-up.

While at the Institute, the delegations prepared a customized press release to use with a digital photo of them receiving their award for immediate release to the local media. This media effort yielded significant coverage in local newspapers and on local television stations—the Corporation has copies of over 70 newspaper articles alone.



Based on published circulation numbers for those papers it is estimated that more than 6,414,212 households had the opportunity to read about the Leader Schools initiative. In approximately 61% of the stories on file the Corporation for National Service was identified, and Harris Wofford was quoted in several of the stories.

The education press was also notified of the selection of the Leader Schools and several widely-circulated publications ran brief stories on the Leader Schools—including the American Association of School Administrators' *AASA On-line* and *Education Week*. More substantial feature stories are in the works with several other publications, including the National Education Association's *NEA Today*. These stories help build awareness of and support for service-learning among the education community as well as enhance the image of the Leader Schools initiative and help recruit more applicants.

Publicity for the next recognition cycle has begun in the form of a national press announcement issued to educational trade press and many education and service organizations. Program information was also updated on the Corporation's Web site. Program brochures are being printed and will be sent directly to every middle school and high school principal across the country.

NEW PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

Getting the word out about the Leader Schools program continues to be a top priority for program staff. In order to expand

to new audiences, the following plans are in place:

Development of a Leader Schools Web site—A Web site will be developed to serve several purposes including: marketing the program to potential applicants; facilitating communication among the Leader Schools; and sharing the promising practices and lessons learned from the Leader Schools with a wider audience. Program staff will work closely with the Corporation's Public Affairs Department to keep posted information current.

Enhanced national marketing and media efforts—Building on the success of the past year, we will continue marketing the program and promoting service-learning.

The current Leader Schools continue in their roles as national leaders and are working to implement their unique Leadership Plans. To offer additional support to these national leaders, the following opportunities are under development:

Partnership with AmeriCorps*VISTA—Leader Schools will have the opportunity to apply for up to three AmeriCorps*VISTA members to support their service-learning efforts and leadership activities. Up to 20 Leader Schools will receive fully-funded VISTA members. Leader Schools will receive applications in November.

Recertification as Leader Schools—We have received word from a number of 1999 Leader Schools that they would like to stay connected with the Leader Schools network after their two-year period of service ends in May 2001. This will be made possible through a recertification process, in which current Leader Schools can expand on their Leadership Plans to include two additional years of service.

THANK YOU TO WORKING GROUP MEMBERS FOR ADDITIONAL WORK ON THE PROGRAM

We are grateful for the additional assistance from Working Group members since the Leadership Institute in June. **Elaine Andrus** was a presenter at the National Middle School Association's national conference earlier this month in St. Louis. She distributed Leader Schools program information to the over 70 attendees at her workshop. In addition, **Mary Henton**, who works at NMSA with **Jack Berckemeyer** – and who will be joining us at our December meeting – arranged to have Leader Schools fact sheets placed in all 9,000+ registration packets for the conference attendees.

Thanks also go to **Joe Follman**, **Chris Kilbane**, **Stan Potts**, and **Ron Schukar** for their helpful feedback as we design the recertification process for 1999 Leader Schools.

FOLLOW UP FROM LAST MEETING

At the direction of the Corporation for National Service, the Leader Schools program staff is not making plans to expand the program into higher education at this time. The Corporation is looking at this year of transition in the administration as a year of solidifying the program and will explore options for expanding the program later.

STAFF NEWS

Marilyn Smith has left the Corporation for National Service to assume responsibility as Executive Director of Communities in Schools in Alexandria, Virginia. The Leader Schools team will continue to work with Bob Seidel at the Corporation and with Amy Cohen, who will serve as the Acting Director of the Department of Service-Learning.

To get in touch with the Leader Schools program team, contact:

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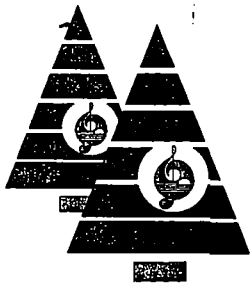
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Mrs. William J. Clinton
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Dear Mrs. Clinton,

The Naples Philharmonic League and the Festival of Trees 2000 committee invites you to participate in a new addition to the Festival called "Celebrity Cookies." The Festival of Trees has been a tradition in the community for the past twelve years and has been voted one of the most interesting events in Naples. It is the signature event for the Naples Philharmonic League which raises funds for our orchestra and its youth music education programs. The Festival is open to the public November 18 through November 26, 2000 and is expected to raise a record \$200,000 this year.

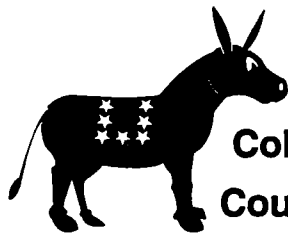
You are one of a very select group of individuals being asked to participate in "Celebrity Cookies" that will premier at the Gala opening night auction. We ask that you donate your most favorite cookie recipe. We would appreciate the recipe being on your personal stationery signed personally by you and President Clinton

The recipe will be used by a local Naples chef to bake three dozen cookies. The cookies will be placed with the framed signed recipe and auctioned by a Sotheby's auctioneer during the live auction portion of the evening. In order to meet the catalogue deadline we will need to have the recipe in hand no later than August 15, 2000.

Knowing of your many friends and admirers in Naples and Collier County, we are certain your cookie recipe will be a wonderful addition to helping achieve our goal. You have our deepest thanks and appreciation for your efforts on our behalf.

Sincerely,

Huda Jones, Co-chairman
Celebrity Cookies Event
Festival of Trees 2000



**Collier
County
Democratic Club**

The Naples Philharmonic
Celebrity Auction 2000 Committee
c/o Mrs. Huda Jones, Committee Member (phone: 941-430-2194)

The Naples Philharmonic Committee for the Festival of Trees and Celebrity Auction 2000 fund raiser has requested my support, as an active member in my community in Collier County. While the fund raiser is a bipartisan, non-political effort, you can expect a letter from the committee asking for your support and participation. They are also contacting Mrs. Bob Graham, Mrs. Tipper (Al) Gore, Mrs. Grace (Bill) Nelson, Mrs. Connie Mack and Mrs. Laura (George W.) Bush urging their support and participation in The Phil's annual Celebrity Auction.

The Naples Philharmonic raises funds each year for an educational program for Collier County children and youth that broadens their musical awareness and provides them with musical instruments.

Your kind support of this children's program will play a major role in assuring its success.

Sincerely,

Ellie P. Cantor

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J. Carter Brown

Director Emeritus, National Gallery of Art

April 7, 1999

Dear Melanne,

CNN recently got in touch with me about the possibility of doing a special program on the White House collection. Here's the background.

I appeared recently on CNN's ArtClub, a weekly television magazine dedicated to the arts, for a program on culture in Washington. ArtClub airs on CNN and CNNi, and reaches an astonishing 150 million viewers worldwide. As you are well aware, there are few broadcast outlets for the arts – OVATION, of course, CBS Sunday Morning, PBS and now ArtClub. I am very enthusiastic about the success of the program, as it demonstrates the growing audience for the arts in this country. Programs have covered everything from hip new galleries in New York to the lively arts community of Scottsdale, and I understand viewers have responded very enthusiastically. A program on the White House collection would seem like a splendid opportunity to get the recognition it deserves for what has been achieved, and not least, for Hillary's personal involvement.

I can attest to ArtClub's professionalism and the quality of their programming. I am assured that their interest is solely in a program about the collection. Their hope is to lead viewers on a tour of the collection and provide an overview of its history, how it began and how it continues to flourish. They have suggested for some reason that I might lead the tour, and they are also naturally eager for the First Lady's participation, perhaps to join the tour and show viewers some of her personal favorites.

If the White House wanted to consider the ArtClub's proposal, you or the appropriate person could be in direct touch with Sophie Henderson at 212-595-1457. In any case, do let me know your reaction.

With warmest wishes,

As ever,



J. Carter Brown

Ms. Melanne Verveer
Office of the First Lady
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

J. Carter Brown

Director Emeritus, National Gallery of Art

July 6, 1999

Dear Melanne:

In re the CNN / OVATION broadcast on art in the White House, I enclose the list that Betty got up of the principal objects on the ground floor, upstairs, and in the west wing.

Meanwhile, I have been in touch with the CNN *artclub* producer, Derek Guthrie, who, as ARTV, would shoot it for both CNN and OVATION. The concept, you remember, would be that there would be about a fifteen minute segment on CNN, and a half-hour, or possibly a "television hour" (48½ minutes) on OVATION-The Arts Network.

I have e-mailed Guthrie that his concept of filming the First Lady in the sculpture exhibition might not be the emphasis you want to bring. She could certainly reference those exhibitions on camera, and if there were time, we could do some shooting there, particularly for the OVATION version where the time was not so limited. (There will probably be time to discuss only two or three objects per room.)

I could envision beginning in the East Room, with the First Lady telling the story of her predecessor, Dolley Madison, rescuing the **Gilbert Stuart full-length of Washington** as the British attacked. Mention of the *Theodore Roosevelt* by Sargent would relate to the modifications by McKim of that and the State Dining Room in his administration.

The adjoining Green Room has two paintings for which the First Lady was personally responsible: the O'Keefe *Bear Lake* (as the first painting by a twentieth-century American woman artist to enter the collection), and the Tanner *Sand Dunes* (as the first by an African-American).

(The **Bingham**, one of the most valuable paintings in the collection, has an amusing political anecdote which would take too much time for the CNN version, probably, but could survive into the longer one. One could point out the **Duncan Phyfe** furniture. And the Sargent *Mosquito Net* is one of my personal favorites.)

As a *segué*, she could mention her role in redoing the Blue Room and, if she needs to reduce the impact on her schedule, could then perhaps invite us to tour the rest of the main floor and join her upstairs.

In the Blue Room, the star is the Rembrandt Peale *Jefferson*. (Perhaps for the longer version one could cut away to the little Trumbull of *Jefferson*, which triggers the story of the romance of Jefferson with Maria Cosway.) The key to this room is the Bellangé furniture and the *Amerigo Vespucci* and *Christopher Columbus* busts bought by President Monroe, and one would need a quick reference to the Samuel F. B. Morse portrait of *Monroe*, explaining that the inventor of the telegraph was also a considerable painter.

The Red Room could introduce the subject of landscape and the west. One might start by the large Durand *Indian's Vespers* to reference a native American and the role of the wilderness in American transcendental thought; moving to the Bierstadt for a sense of awe. (If time, one could mention the Kensett *Niagra Falls*, but it lacks drama and may not show up well on television. One might reference the beautiful Lannuier table.)

In the State Dining Room, if coming in from furniture, one could point out the Monroe plateau. (It might be wonderful to have the table set for an event!) The point here, however, would be the great Healy portrait of *Lincoln*.

This could provide a *segué* to the Lincoln Bedroom, referencing the touching small *Lincoln and Tad* by Carpenter and the draft of the Gettysburg Address, as well as the table and bed.

I would then envision discovering the First Lady in the East Sitting Hall, talking about whichever pictures particularly meant something to her. The Chase *Shinnecock* evokes the part of Long Island to which she would just be going on vacation, no? The Heade *Florida Sunrise* brings in the southeast; the Heade *Sailing off the Coast* might reference New England and my own native Newport; and the Whistler *Nocturne* brings us to the concept of abstraction.

If one could skip to the West Sitting Hall, the Monet *Morning on the Seine* (with its Kennedy story), relates to that sensibility and ever-popular impressionism; and any of the Cézannes can relate impressionism to cubism.

The Cassatt (which would be a popular subject for a television audience), is both impressionist and a twentieth-century painting. It was painted within a year of the Kandinsky, which prefigures the deKooning and even the Chihuly glass.

In this context of modernity, the First Lady could mention the Sculpture Garden series, and on the longer version one might even show a montage of objects that were included. It would give her an opportunity to tell the story of her date with the future President in the Yale sculpture garden.

Reference to the President would provide a logical segué into the Oval Office, where one could feature the *Resolute* desk, the patriotism of the flags in the Hassam, and anything of the President's particular interest, perhaps ending on the *City of Washington* by Cooke, of 1833, as a dissolve to the exterior shots of the White House, and even Washington itself, today. (Time constraints might restrict that to the longer version.)

The filmmakers envision thirty minutes each in the East Room, Green Room, Blue Room, Red Room, and State Dining Room, with twenty minutes in the Lincoln Bedroom and perhaps another thirty or more in the upstairs halls, and twenty minutes in the Oval Office. The exterior shots would need to be done on a second day.

They had also expressed an interest in the Family Dining Room with the portrait of *Edith Roosevelt* (fifteen minutes) and the Entrance Hall (general shots, ten minutes).

The last week in July that you mentioned as a possibility would work perfectly for me, as I plan to be in Washington on July 26-28, while needing to be out of town before and after that. I also have a window August 9-25.

The key will be the scheduling of the First Lady, of course, and coordination of all the various folk who would need to be involved.

For technical matters, the staff may want to be in touch with Derek Guthrie directly. His e-mail address is: artvlon@aol.com (and one could also copy me at JCBrownArt@aol.com).

All best,



J. Carter Brown

Ms. Melanne Verveer
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cc: Betty Monkman

enclosures

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

East Room

George Washington by Gilbert Stuart, 1797

Theodore Roosevelt by John Singer Sargent, 1903

Candelabra, pair, gilded bronze, c. 1817, Paris,
attributed to (Pierre-Philippe) Thomire & Company
Monroe acquisition

Green Room

Lighter Relieving a Steamboat Aground by George Caleb Bingham, 1847

Benjamin Franklin by David Martin, 1767

Bear Lake, New Mexico by Georgia O'Keeffe, 1930

The Mosquito Net by John Singer Sargent, 1912

Independence Hall in Philadelphia by Ferdinand Richardt, c. 1858-63

Sand Dunes at Sunset, Atlantic City by Henry Ossawa Tanner, c. 1885

Work tables, near pair, mahogany, c. 1810, New York,
attributed to the workshop of Duncan Phyfe,
very unusual, rare form

Coffee urn, silverplate, c. 1785-88, Sheffield, England,
once owned by John and Abigail Adams, with monogram "JAA" on front

Blue Room

Boston Harbor by Fitz Hugh Lane, 1854

James Monroe by Samuel F.B. Morse, c. 1819

Thomas Jefferson by Rembrandt Peale, 1800

Boys Crabbing by William Ranney, 1855

John Adams by John Trumbull, c. 1792-93

William Howard Taft by Anders Zorn, 1911

Amerigo Vespucci and Christopher Columbus by Guiseppe Ceracchi, marble, c. 1815
Monroe acquisition

Mantel clock, gilded bronze, c. 1817, Paris,
case made by Denière et Matelin
Monroe acquisition

Suite of furniture, gilded beechwood, c. 1817, Paris,
made by Pierre-Antoine Bellangé,
purchased for large oval room (Blue Room) by President James Monroe

Red Room

Rocky Mountain Landscape by Albert Bierstadt, 1870

The Indian's Vespers by Asher B. Durand, 1847

Angelica Singleton Van Buren by Henry Inman, 1842

Niagara Falls by John Kensett, c. 1852-54

Still Life With Fruit, Goblet, and Canary (Nature's Bounty) by Severin Roesen, 1851

Dolley Payne Madison by Gilbert Stuart, 1804

John James Audubon by John Syme, 1826

Martin Van Buren by Hiram Powers, marble, 1840

Gueridon (circular table), mahogany and marble, c. 1815, New York,
labeled by Charles-Honoré Lannuier

Sofa, mahogany, c. 1825, probably New York,
dolphin legs with gilded heads and painted scaled bodies.

State Dining Room

Abraham Lincoln by George P.A. Healy, 1869

Side tables, three, mahogany and marble, 1902,
designed by Stanford White for the State Dining Room,
made by A.H. Davenport, Boston

Plateau, gilded bronze and glass, c. 1817, Paris,
made by Denière et Matelin
Monroe acquisition

Family Dining Room

Edith Carow Roosevelt (Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt) by Théobald Chartran, 1902

Bookcase-cabinet, mahogany, c. 1800-15, Philadelphia
Mate is at Yale University.

Centerpiece, *Hiawatha's Boat*, silver, 1871, Providence, Rhode Island,
made by Gorham Manufacturing. Company,
selected by Mrs. Grant at the Centennial Exposition in Philadelphia, 1876

Entrance Hall

Pier table, gilded beechwood, c. 1817, Paris,
made by Pierre Antoine Bellangé
Monroe acquisition

Mantel clock, gilded bronze, c. 1817, Paris,
case made by (Pierre-Philippe) Thomire & Company, works by (Louis?) Moinet
Monroe acquisition

Piano, mahogany, 1938, made by Steinway & Sons, Long Island City, New York,
#300,000, designed by Eric Gugler, eagle legs carved by Albert Stewart; gilt
decoration of American music by Dunbar Beck

West Sitting Hall

Mouth of the Delaware by Thomas Birch, 1828

Landscape with Tower by Paul Cezanne, 1885-1890

Morning on the Seine, Good Weather (Matinee Sur La Seine, Beau Temps) by Claude Monet, 1897

Gift of the Kennedy family in memory of President John F. Kennedy.

Center Hall

Young Mother and Two Children by Mary Cassatt, 1908

Boathouse on a River by Paul Cezanne, early 20th century

Still Life With Quince, Apples and Pears by Paul Cezanne, c. 1885-87

Untitled XXXIX by Willem de Kooning, 1983

On loan from the de Kooning estate.

Ruth (Ruth W. Harding) by Thomas Eakins, 1903

Group in Crinolines (Reifrockgesellschaft) by Vasily Kandinsky, 1909

On loan from The Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum.

Cobalt Macchia With Green Lip Wrap by Dale Chihuly, glass, 1992

On loan from the artist.

Yellow Oval Room

Mont Sainte-Victoire and Hamlet Near Gardanne by Paul Cezanne, 1886-90

New York Harbor and the Battery by Andrew Melrose, c. 1886-87

Treaty Room

Signing of the Peace Protocol Between Spain and the United States, August 12, 1898
by Théobald Chartran, 1899

The Peacemakers by George P.A. Healy, 1868

Benjamin Franklin by Benjamin Wilson, 1759

Conference table, walnut, c. 1869, New York,
made by Pottier & Stymus Manufacturing Company,
part of a suite commissioned for the Cabinet Room, 1869

Table, mahogany and marble, c. 1829, Philadelphia,
labeled by Anthony Quervelle,
purchased by President Andrew Jackson for the East Room, 1829

Presentation cup, silver, 1899, New York,
made by Tiffany & Company,
inscribed: "Presented by the President of the United States [William McKinley]
to his Excellency M. Jules Cambon, Ambassador of France, in token of his
friendly services in the negotiation of the Protocol of Peace between the United
States and Spain, August 12, 1898".

Lincoln Bedroom

Watch Meeting - Dec. 31st 1862 - Waiting for the Hour by William Tolman Carlton, 1863

Lincoln and Tad (miniature) by Francis Bicknell Carpenter, c. 1873-74

Andrew Jackson attributed to Miner Kilbourne Kellogg, c. 1840

Side chairs, walnut, c. 1846, New York,
attributed to J. & J.W. Meeks,
from a set of 24 purchased during the Polk administration, possibly as Cabinet
chairs; some used around Cabinet table during the Lincoln administration

Bed, rosewood, c. 1861, American,
purchased by Mary Todd Lincoln, 1861, for the principal guest bedroom

Center table, laminated rosewood and marble, c. 1861, New York,
attributed to John Henry Belter,
purchased by Mary Todd Lincoln, 1861, for the principal guest bedroom

Gettysburg Address, three pages, 1864, Washington, D.C.,
by Abraham Lincoln,
fifth and final handwritten copy, the only one titled, signed and dated
November 19, 1863; written for reproduction to benefit a charity for Civil War
soldiers

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THE WHITE HOUSE

Mary Ellen -

Does this fall
within your
"book" responsibilities?

Thanks.

Alicia

ME -
Talk to us -
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Melanie -

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do? If so, who
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HRC has done
w/ CMN?

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Alice -

ATTACHED IS A REQUEST
FOR A LETTER; MEANING
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WE SHOULD DO.

THANKS,
ERIKA



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February 24, 2000

First Lady Hilliary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear First Lady Clinton:

I certainly hope that this letter finds you well. **Children's Miracle Network** is pleased to let you know about a new project we are undertaking. **CMN**, together with author *Andy Andrews*, will be working on a new book. The book will be entitled *Miracles...One At a Time*, and will be published by *Lightning Crown Publishers*.

We ask that you seriously consider the request from *Mr. Andrews* and *Lightning Crown Publishers*. *Andy Andrews* has been a faithful supporter of **CMN** for many years. We are excited about working with him on this project.

With your help, *Miracles...One At a Time* will become an encouragement to many people. All of the author's royalties will be donated to **Children's Miracle Network**.

The two letters that follow give more details about this project. Please read them carefully. Thank-you for your time and willingness to help others.

Sincerely yours,

SCOTT BURT
Executive Vice President & COO

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Enclosure

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February 24, 2000

First Lady Hilliary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear First Lady Clinton:

I am writing to make you aware of a new book that will be published by *Lightning Crown Publishers* entitled *Miracles...One At a Time*. The format of the book will be similar to my *Storms of Perfection* series. A copy of *Storms of Perfection III* is enclosed for your review. **Children's Miracle Network** and I would be honored to include a letter from you in this new collection.

Miracles...One At a Time will contain letters from Champions helped by CMN, the parents of these Champions, the medical professionals, and celebrities who donated their time to CMN. Many people may be unaware that you are involved with CMN. This book, however, will present a portion of your experience with one of the Champions from CMN. Your participation in this project will encourage others, and give hope to those who are close to children who have gone through or are going through a medical challenge.

As you write your letter, please consider the following:

1. Which Champion or which incident was particularly puzzling or frustrating for you?
2. Was there a time when you were the only one who insisted on perservering in a particular case (perhaps when others would have ceased their committment)?
3. What were you feeling during that time and what enabled you to persevere when others might have quit?
4. How has this experience with CMN affected your attitude or beliefs about life in general?
5. Your letter should be relatively informal and directed to me (i.e. Dear Andy, Hi Andy). It should not be "preachy," but merely a statement of the facts as you saw them then. You might also comment on your present feelings about that particular time in your life.

Thank-you in advance for your time and assistance in making this endeavor a success.

Sincerely yours,



ANDY ANDREWS

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P.S. Enclosed, please find a complimentary copy of **Storms of Perfection III**. As you construct your own letter, feel free to use these as an example.



**LIGHTNING
CROWN
PUBLISHERS**

February 24, 2000

First Lady Hilliary Rodham Clinton
The White House
Washington, DC 20500

Dear First Lady Clinton:

Lightning Crown Publishers wants to thank-you in advance for your time and consideration of Andy's and CMN's request. We hope you will respond positively.

The first four books have exceeded our expectations and can be found in bookstores nationwide. We feel confident that your letter will touch many readers in a profound way.

We are aware that time constraints often pose a problem for many of those who wish to participate. If time is a challenge, may we suggest a phone interview with one of our professional writers. During the course of a 10 to 15 minute conversation, our writer will be able to gather enough information to compose your letter from a "storms of perfection" point of view. Any struggles or setbacks that you might have had would be detailed in a letter that would be submitted to you for changes and approval. The approved letter would then be typeset onto your stationery along with your signature.

Here's a final checklist of what we need:

- 1) Your letter (Addressed to Andy at P.O. Box 3709 Gulf Shores, AL 36547)
- 2) A photograph (1st choice: black & white glossy; 2nd choice: color photo or slide)
- 3) Biographical information.
- 4) Please return all correspondence to *Lightning Crown Publishers* at 2194 South Berry's Chapel Road, Franklin, TN 37069.

Remember that your letter will be printed exactly as it is received. Therefore, proofread carefully for typographical errors. If your home phone number is displayed on your stationery, please let us know. It will be dropped out so as not to appear in the book.

Enjoy the enclosed complimentary copy of **Storms of Perfection III**. If more copies are needed to share with friends and family, please give me a call.

If you have any questions or are unclear regarding any aspect of this request or project, simply call me at 888.216.7054.

Sincerely,

ROBERT D. SMITH
President

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