Enclosed is a major resolution (To End the Arms Race) adopted by the World Citizens Assembly (WCA) meeting in Paris, France from July 1-5, 1977. The WCA was attended by 600 people from 25 countries. The resolution was written by Commission I after two days of extensive discussion with representatives of peace organization from Western, Socialist, and Third World countries.

The focus of the resolution is the United Nations General Assembly on Disarmament scheduled for 1978. With the arms race continuing its macabre course, it is imperative that this crucial U.N. Special Session achieve positive results. The WCA resolution appeals to all peoples, all governments, all non-government organizations to demonstrate their support; to arouse public opinion sufficient to inspire their governments to positive action.

To help further this goal, the WCA is seeking endorsement of this resolution by influential individuals and organizations. Early in 1978, the resolution (with endorsements) will be presented to leaders of governments, and directly to the United Nations. We would be honored to add your name to the list of prominent global citizens endorsing this resolution. More than 35 Nobel Laureates have already added their name, along with many other outstanding people and organizations. The deadline for receiving endorsements is January 31, 1977.

The coming months of activities, leading to and including the U.N. Special Session on Disarmament, could provide a turning point away from the hopeless trend of the arms race toward fundamental steps to build a world community which offers humanity a future. We must not fail this historic opportunity.

All endorsers will receive a copy of the final document when it is readied for presentation.

Sincerely,

Douglas Mattern
Secretary General, WCA
Chairman, Commission I

Add my name to the list of endorsers.

Add my organization also.

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The second World Citizens Assembly meeting in Paris, France with 600 delegates from 25 countries, officially adopted the following resolution on July 5, 1977. This resolution was written by Commission I after days of extensive discussion with representatives from Western, Socialist, and Third World countries.

The future of mankind depends on the capacity of the present generation to realize this interdependence and take urgent action at the international level to achieve the necessary progress in disarmament.

WHEREAS the priority task facing the world community is to stop the arms race; to achieve drastic reductions in military expenditures, together with programs converting the arms industry into peaceful production; and

WHEREAS it is essentially through ending the arms race that a new world economic order can be funded which will provide a more equitable distribution of the world’s wealth and resources, and assure an improved quality of life for the people of the earth; and

WHEREAS negotiations between the major powers, including the SALT agreements, have failed to slow the arms race, and the world arms trade continues to escalate; and

WHEREAS concrete steps toward controlled disarmament can lead to a strengthened United Nations with the authority to settle disputes between nations through the framework of world law; and

WHEREAS the central purpose of the United Nations Charter is to end the scourge of war, the corollary is to implement this principle by all peaceful means;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the World Citizens Assembly, meeting with 600 delegates from 25 countries in Paris, July, 1977, appeals to all peoples, all governments, and all NGOs to support the United Nations General Assembly on Disarmament in 1975; to arouse public opinion through persuasion and direct action, in order to insure that this most crucial Assembly attains positive results;

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the World Citizens Assembly, seeking a significant input at the Special Assembly on Disarmament, appeals to the Secretary General and the organizers of the Special Session to permit the full participation of peoples’ organizations as well as governments in this historic opportunity to save humanity.

For additional copies, information, or endorsement, contact World Citizens Assembly, P.O. Box 2063, San Francisco, California USA 94126. Douglas Mattern, Secretary General.

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LIST OF ENDORSERS OF THE WC.4 RESOLUTION (as of 12/1/77)

Del Laureates

Dr. Hannes Alven, 1970 (Physics)
Dr. Christian Anfinsen, 1972 (Chemistry)
Dr. Kenneth Arrow, 1972 (Economics)
Lord Philip Noel-Daker, 1959 (Peace)
Sir Frank Bumbet, 1960 (Medicine)
Dr. Andre Cournand, 1956 (Medicine)
Dr. Christian de Duve, 1974 (Medicine)
Dr. Paul Flory, 1974 (Chemistry)
Dr. Ragnar Granit, 1967 (Medicine)
Dr. Odd Hassel, 1969 (Chemistry)
Dr. Dorothy Crawford-Hodgkin, 1964 (Chemistry)
Dr. Alfred Hershey, 1969 (Medicine)
Dr. Gerhard Herzberg, 1971 (Chemistry)
Dr. Albert Szent-Gyorgi, 1937 (Medicine)
Dr. Francois Jacob, 1965 (Medicine)
Dr. Brian Josephson, 1973, (Physics)
Dr. Alfred Kastler, 1966 (Medicine)
Dr. Konrad Lorenz, 1973 (Medicine)
Dr. Salvador Luria, 1969 (Medicine)
Dr. Andre Lwoff, 1965 (Medicine)
Dr. Sean McBride, 1974 (Peace) & Lenin Peace Prize
Dr. Rudolf Mossbauer, 1961 (Physics)
Dr. Robert Mulliken, 1966 (Chemistry)
Mr. Gunner Myrdal, 1975 (Economics)
Dr. Severo Ochoa, 1959 (Medicine)
Dr. George Palade, 1974 (Medicine)
Dr. Linus Pauling, 1954 (Medicine)
Dr. Max Perutz, 1962 (Chemistry)
Dr. Reichstein, 1951 (Medicine)
Dr. Hugo Theorell, 1955 (Medicine)
Dr. Jan Tinbergen, 1969 (Economics)
Dr. Nikolaas Tinbergen, 1973 (Medicine)
Dr. George Wald, 1967 (Medicine)
Dr. James Watson, 1962 (Medicine)
Mr. Patrick White, 1973 (Literature)
International Peace Bureau, 1910 (Peace)
Dr. Harold C. Urey, 1934 (Chemistry)
Dr. Wassily Leontief, 1973 (Economics)
Other outstanding endorsers (partial list)

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Dr. Frank Barnaby, Director, Swedish International Peace Research Institute.
Harbor Bohm, President, WILPF-USA.
Harry Bridges, President Emeritus, International Longshoremen's Union.
Center of Economic and Social Studies of the Third World, MEXICO.
Dr. Jerome Davis, Gandhi Peace Prize.
Reva King, President, SERVAS Int.
Rev. Eugene Blake, former Chairman, World Council of Churches.
Samuel Day, Jr., Editor of The Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists
The Honorable Hubert Humphrey, U.S. Senator, former U.S. Vice-president.
Victor Lloyd, Director, SANE
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Bhupendra Kishore, Asian Secretary, Service Civil International.
Margaret Mead, Anthropologist.
Dr. Luther Evans, former Director-General UNESCO.
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Pastor Martin Niemoller, Lenin Peace Prize.
Sheila Oakes, General Secretary, National Peace Council, ENGLAND.
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Aurelio Pecccei, Founder, Club of Rome.
H.E. Mr. Rossides, Ambassador of Cyprus to the United Nations.
H.E. Mr. Frank Boateen, Ambassador of Ghana to the United Nations.
Dr. Cahit Talas, Chairman, Turkish UI:

Other outstanding endorsers (partial list)

Frank Allaun, MP, England; Chairman Labor Action for Peace.
R.K.R. Alston, Pres. UNA, Australia
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Mr. A.T. Ariyaratne, President Sarvodaya Sharakadana Movement, Sri Lanka.