



RESOLUTION

# Peace Child

WHEREAS, SOON AFTER THE RECENT CIVIL DISTURBANCES, TWO EXTRAORDINARY INDIVIDUALS WHO JOINED THE CLEANUP EFFORT FOUND THEMSELVES LISTENING TO CHILDREN'S VOICES IN THE CROWD; AND

WHEREAS, THESE TWO INDIVIDUALS, WHO PRODUCE CHILDREN'S THEATRE, RECOGNIZED THE NEED FOR THE VOICES OF THESE CHILDREN TO BE HEARD BY CITY OFFICIALS AS WE WORK TO REBUILD OUR COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS, THEY PRODUCED AND ADAPTED THE PLAY INTERNATIONAL PEACE CHILD AS A VEHICLE FOR THE CHILDREN OF OUR CITY TO EXPRESS THEIR PAIN, THEIR HOPES AND DREAMS AND THE VISION FOR THEIR LIVES AND THEIR VISIONS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES; AND

WHEREAS, MANY CHILDREN FROM ALL OVER THE CITY AUDITIONED FOR THE PRODUCTION OF THE PEACE CHILD PLAY; AND

WHEREAS, A CORE CAST OF 34 CHILDREN AND 210 CHORUS MEMBERS, AGES 9-18, FROM ALL RACES, CREEDS, AND SOCIOECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS CAME TOGETHER TO PERFORM THE PEACE CHILD PLAY; AND

WHEREAS, THIS PLAY WAS INITIALLY PRESENTED ON FRIDAY, JUNE 26, 1992, AT 7:30 P.M. AT THE SHRINE AUDITORIUM; AND

WHEREAS, THE CHILDREN ADOPTED A SET OF RESOLUTIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES:

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT BY THE ADOPTION OF THIS RESOLUTION, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES DOES HEREBY ACCEPT THE RESOLUTION PREPARED BY THE CHILDREN AS A STAND FOR AND BY CHILDREN, AND AS A BEGINNING DIALOGUE WITH ELECTED OFFICIALS ON OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN IN THE REBUILDING OF LOS ANGELES; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES ACKNOWLEDGE THE CAST OF THE PEACE CHILD PRODUCTION, JANET PARMENTER AND STACEY MCENNAN OF SEE ABOVE PRODUCTIONS FOR BRINGING THE PRODUCTION AND THE ASPIRATIONS OF CHILDREN TO THE TABLE FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES.

RESOLUTION BY

Councilman 14th District

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was adopted by the Council of the City of Los Angeles at its meeting held July 24, 1992.

President of the Council

SECONDED BY

Councilman 2nd District





# CHILDREN'S ENDORSEMENTS

## WHAT YOUTH SAY ABOUT PEACE CHILD

*The best part was my realization that I can make a difference in this world. Every child has such dreams, but most of the time they never get the chance to prove to themselves that it is possible to obtain them.*

Stacy, California, USA

*None of us will forget Peace Child, or our new friends. Everyone gave each other a piece of their hearts, a piece of their soul...*

Yelyena, Tashkent, USSR

*I'm much more aware of the world around me. I actually sit down and listen to the news daily and read the paper...*

Cindy, Pennsylvania, USA

*Now, when I look at a map of the USA, I see not states, but the places where my best friends live. I feel that all these places are connected to each other and also, to my heart.*

Yuri, Moscow, USSR

*We know that Peace Child has changed our lives. We think it can change the governments and the people's feelings about war and each other.*

Ulises, San Jose, Costa Rica

## WHAT THE ADULTS SAY

*So many children of today have no goals, nothing to really look forward to, no sense of responsibility or purpose. This play gives them a direction, something they can do, gives them hope...*

Cheryl McFadzian, Teacher, USA

*The experience has made a tremendous impact not only on our family, but on all our friends as well. I feel that we have learned a great deal.*

Mary Lou VonEuw, mother of two participants, USA

*Guarded feelings departed forever, frankness and mutual understanding were established... Whatever their destiny, they will never stand against one another, war against each other, but rather will love one another.*

Anna Tsiorkina, Interpreter, Kazan, USSR

*We marvel at the stories, the memories, the insights, the love, the understanding that pours forth from her as she tries to share her adventures with us. There is a new wisdom about her, a new purposefulness...*

Carol Menkitt, mother of a 13 yr. old Peace Child, USA

## WHAT THE AUDIENCES SAY

*Every time it is performed, audiences leap to their feet in joy and gratefulness, and the highest leapers may be the children.*

THE WASHINGTON POST

*Peace Child is utopian without being naive, hopeful without being hokey. It is, in a word, magic! For those who want to present a positive, stimulating introduction to global issues, it is a valuable educational tool.*

THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE





COMMENTS FROM THE 1986 SOVIET-AMERICAN "PEACE CHILD" CAST :-

(PEACE CHILD'S PROGRESS - Vol.3, No.2)

**Colleen Barry**

"After the first couple of weeks, just being together wasn't an adventure. It was a way of life. We became a family. I look forward to a time when every child in the USSR and the USA can live and work together as we did so that finally we can all come to appreciate each other as part of the human family—as we did."



**Slava Galliulin**

"No one says 'I want to die'—we only have one life and when we die, we want to leave happy memories in the minds of the living. If someone pushes the button, there will be no one left to have memories, happy or sad."

**Melissa Anderson**

I didn't set out on this tour to solve the problems between our two countries. My main reason for doing it was to create a basic trust between children. People always ask me "did you accomplish anything." Of course nuclear weapons aren't going to be stopped because of PEACE CHILD. We didn't solve that problem between our governments but we took the first step. We made bonds of friendship between the children of both countries.

Some of the best friends I ever made live in the Soviet Union. I can't imagine that my enemy is someone I've been so close to. We lived a lifetime with each other in those 2 months. It seems incredible to me that my government is working to protect me from my best friends.

On the last night of the tour, we had a candle ceremony. As we lit each other's candle's one by one, the flame made its way around the circle. It was a magical bond we shared. Now that I'm home, I realize that it's my duty to share my flame with other's and make the circle even bigger. I know the Soviets will do this in their country too. The tour is over, but the circle is just beginning.

**Alexis Vaubel**

We worked together with the Soviets long enough to get to know them all as individuals. Because of this, I can never again lump them together and say, "The Russians this..." or "The Soviets that..."

I've learned so many things from this trip that I could never have learned from reading a book or seeing a film about the Soviet Union. For two months we were living together in such intensity, putting all our energies into this play.

Now I have friends I would trust with my life who live in the Soviet Union. I know that they trust me.

**Oksana Remizova**

"Sometimes when I look at the sky, I see it burst into flames and fall apart and come down to earth in frightening black lumps; and all that is left is darkness, emptiness and ashes - not even ashes... We're at one today, because we share a common goal. I'd like to think that we'd stay at one till the end of our lives, but first people have got to know about this danger. We have to give our efforts to make adults think seriously."

**Karina Chepoi**

"We come from different continents of the same planet, but distance has not prevented us from becoming friends. Adults must see that children can find a common language, can TRUST one another. It is trust that will save the world."



**Ian Hillway**

The Soviet kids were special to me. Not just one, but all of them. Only the language was different; they were just the same as us. The trip was important to the world because it made a difference. People who saw it cried; they clapped during parts where we never intended them to clap. It helped spread the message of peace.

# What The Children Think...



Caitlin Siegel, Katya of the Peace Child Players Company, wrote:

"What I got from "PEACE CHILD" was a message of hope for my future: a message that allowed me to stop walking alone and frightened with blinders on; to turn and look around, - see the world as we know it now, and then imagine how it could be. To always keep ahead of you the thought that the world can be saved; to stop dividing people into different races and come to the human race; to face the problems of today and tomorrow together, while learning from the mistakes of yesterday so they won't be repeated. This is what being a Peace Child means to me."

As hundreds of letters and essays came in from around the country, we asked Caitlin to select those which said something to her.

"My suggestion for peace is for all the leaders of the advanced countries to have a big meeting and have nobody leave until a decision had been made about getting rid of all nuclear weapons."

David

"Doing "PEACE CHILD" was fun. Not to brag or anything but I think that this was the best program at this school, or anywhere else, especially when all these school kids can co-operate with each other. If this world was like our play, I know everyone would be more than happy."

Lisa

"How refreshing it might be if the "PEACE CHILD" could be played out on the world stage rather than that of the Roosevelt Middle School."

Erie Daily Times

"I think it would be very nice to go to Pittsburgh to spread Peace"

Jenny

"We must remember that it is not only weapons that destroy peace, but also people, drugs, alcohol and other things"

Debra

"How do I feel about "PEACE CHILD" right now? - Well I'm kind of glad that we did it because maybe the adults would stop and think what they are doing to each other, and what they are going to do to us - the children. Must we grow up hating each other too?"

Daniela

"As I sang - "Will I be the only survivor, lost in a world of burning fire!" all alone in the spotlight at center stage, it hit me how little could be left with no breeze, no sun, no friends no family just cold hard light and gagging smoke. How could we be this blind? We must reach out now to our Soviet brothers and sisters who want to live too. "Believe in me - I believe in you."

Valerie



"What would be my suggestion for peace throughout the world? I suggest that the play "PEACE CHILD" should be put on through the world so that everybody gets the word of peace."

Erin

"It helped me because I was kind of nervous to sing out in front of people but if a lot of kids around you are singing out, you will too."

Ethel

"Before I heard about "PEACE CHILD", I never really paid much attention to war. I just thought, "Let the leaders solve their own problems." Now I know that it's not only the leaders problem."

Hal

"PEACE CHILD" affects me in many different ways. 1) I really thought about peace. 2) I was happy, sad, full of laughter and at points my eyes were filled with tears. 3) In the production, I felt as if our world was a world of caring and sharing."

Terry

"Being in "PEACE CHILD" means a lot to me because it makes me feel that this really could happen in the near future and I hope that it turns out as good as the play did."

Pam

"Every time the production of PEACE CHILD" is on, I get a feeling I want peace all over the world. It changed my life in a way I can't explain. I feel I could love the world, but the world doesn't have the peace I wish it would have."

Bryon

"PEACE CHILD" has taught me that if we really want peace, there's still hope for it. If we tried, maybe our world could learn different ways of life, and how to be friends. We also can hope that the nuclear bomb will NEVER be used. I feel that if everybody in the world saw this play, they might give "peace" a second thought!"

Kim

"As a teenager in the 80's I'm usually very wrapped up in my own personal world - that is, myself, my family and friends, and what I'm going to do on my summer vacation. My involvement with "PEACE CHILD", however, has changed my perception of life. A sense of reality hit me. Forget planning for the summer, what about tomorrow. We live on a planet that could be destroyed instantly, without any warning. We need to live for each day and to work so we can see future days together in peace."

Michael

"Peace is defined in the dictionary as: 'a state of quiet and calm, especially public quiet and security. I hope we have this security some day, so that hopefully - possibly soon - we have a "Peace Day".

Debra

In my opinion I don't think anything that can destroy the world can protect anyone... No one owns this earth. What right does anyone have to try to destroy it? We children have as much right to live as they do. I feel that if we work hard together we can change the fantasy "PEACE CHILD" into a reality."

Rhonda





## A CATALYST FOR WORLD PEACE

"PEACE CHILD" was born in London in 1981, the brainchild of a lady who wished an end to the negative protesting of the traditional peace movement. Eirwen Harbottle wanted a "Celebration of Peace" - a powerful affirmation of the peace we already have, and a positive search for less threatening means to secure it.

She brought together Peace Book author, Bernard Benson, with composer David Gordon, and persuaded her son-in-law, David Woollcombe, to write a script based on their combined work. The result was a show which made a strong appeal for expanded international communication through cultural and youth exchange.

*"I have seen a performance of "PEACE CHILD" and the values set forth represent an excellent approach to improving US-Soviet Relations."*

Senator Claiborne Pell(D-RI), Majority Leader,  
Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Initially, the Soviets wanted nothing to do with the play. Americans on the other hand, were delighted by it. Following its magnificent premiere at the Kennedy Center, Washington DC in 1982, there were over 500 presentations of the show in 40 states.

In 1985, the occasion of the Moscow Youth Festival supplied an opportunity for the Foundation to mount a joint US-Soviet production of the show. Working intensively behind the scenes with a small band of Soviet enthusiasts, the show was eventually mounted in one of the best theatres in Moscow, and the Soviet-American cast performed extracts from the show on radio, TV and many different venues. The Russians were charmed: here were American and Soviet children singing and dancing happily together in a play that spoke to their deep thirst for peace. On the night that Soviet TV news ran an item on Peace Child, their switch-board became jammed with calls requesting a repeat of the piece.

*"PEACE CHILD" was a smash hit in my home state of Minnesota two weeks ago. This is the first time that young people from both countries have performed together in the USA. We all hope that this beginning will lead to many more youth exchanges which would allow hundreds, and eventually thousands, of our youth to visit each other's countries."*

Senator Rudy Boschwitz, (R. - MN)

In December 1985, the Peace Child Foundation created an historic re-union of the Soviet-American Cast in a satellite TV program dedicated to the spirit of Samantha Smith. The children sang songs and performed scenes together, talked with, waved at and wept with each other in an emotive program that was aired on over a hundred US TV stations, and was reported on 9 national TV news programs. It was hosted by John Denver.

*"It is my fervent wish that everyone in the world will open their hearts to let in the child of this Peace Book."*

His Holiness, Pope John Paul II



On this program, the US children issued the invitation to their Soviet friends to bring their joint production to the USA. It was well known how unlikely this would be: almost no Soviet children had been allowed to taste forbidden fruit by travelling to the west. As Mr Gromyko once put it: "We do not wish our Soviet Youth to be exposed to your western decadence." The invitation was pointedly cut out of the version broadcast on Soviet TV.

Our Soviet team of enthusiasts remained undeterred. By a combination of luck, the chaos of change under Gorbachev's leadership, incredible hard-work and bullock-headed determination, a 12-city tour of the joint production was mounted in the USA in the fall of 1986.

*"The significance of this production is that it is a joint venture - a co-operative effort in which our children have been living and working together, sharing experiences which will last a lifetime. I would like to congratulate the Peace Child Foundation and the members of the company."*

Senator Strom Thurmond, (R. - SC)

The play was no longer merely fanciful: many of the scenes within it had become real. It could be put out to young people as a self-fulfilling prophecy that had already partially self-fulfilled.

*"Isaiah tells us that 'a little child shall lead them'. In "PEACE CHILD", that prophecy takes on a new dimension as children of the United States and the Soviet Union lead their elders in a search for understanding and peace."*

Senator Charles Mathias, (R. - Md)

On September 16th, the Day of Peace, the Soviet-American cast, along with a vast chorus of 500 Peace Children, stood on the steps of the United Nations singing their appeal to world leaders in an exact facsimile of what is written in the play. Impressed, the UN staff requested that the Peace Child Foundation develop ways in which the International Day of Peace could be celebrated around the world. They were inviting us to bring to life perhaps the most important component of the show: the setting of the play on a future international holiday known as 'Peace Day' - the title of the opening song. (See Part IV)

At that point we recognised what many of us had long suspected: that Peace Child has a special destiny in the world peace movement. Everything that had happened in our history had been something of a miracle. The lack of a solid funding base had always placed our very existence in jeopardy. And yet always we had pulled through.

This proposal outlines a strategy for creating a strong organisational and funding base so that the phenomenon of "Peace Child" can continue to work its magic around the world.

*"No doubt the concept of this great story will preach peace in a way that touches the hearts of millions thirsty to see it established and widespread."*

The late president of Egypt, Anwar Sadat

*"PEACE CHILD" is a skillful child's view of the world. Its strength lies in the honesty of the children's approach to world leaders. .... Major world changes have come from even stranger and smaller beginnings."*

'The Guardian', London, October 30th, 1981.



ELECTED OFFICIALS PUBLICLY IN SUPPORT OF "PEACE CHILD"

(as at December 20th 1986)

**Former Presidents**

Jimmy Carter  
Gerald Ford

**US Senate**

Joseph R. Biden, Jr.	(D)	Delaware
Rudy Boschwitz	(R)	Minnesota
Robert Dole	(R)	Kansas
Dave Durenberger	(R)	Minnesota
Mark O. Hatfield	(R)	Oregon
Edward M. Kennedy	(D)	Massachusetts
Charles Mathias	(R)	Maryland
Claiborne Pell	(D)	Rhode Island
Strom Thurmond	(R)	South Carolina
Paul Simon	(D)	Illinois
Paul Trible	(R)	Virginia

**US House of Representatives**

Gary L. Ackerman	(D)	New York
Les Aucoin	(D)	Oregon
Michael D. Barnes	(D)	Maryland
Don Bonker	(D)	Washington
Dante B. Fascell	(D)	Florida
Edward F. Feighan	(D)	Ohio
Mickey Leland	(D)	Texas
Jim Leach	(R)	Iowa
Bruce Morrison	(D)	Connecticut
Claudine Schneider	(R)	Rhode Island
Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.	(D)	Massachusetts
Morris K. Udall	(D)	Arizona

**Governors**

Rudy Perpich	Minnesota
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JIMMY CARTER

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# United States Senate

OFFICE OF THE MAJORITY LEADER  
WASHINGTON, DC 20510

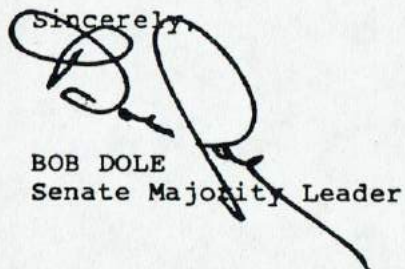
October 8, 1986

Members of the U.S.-Soviet Peace Child Company  
c/o Mr. David R. Woollcombe  
President  
Peace Child Foundation  
3977 Chain Bridge Road  
Fairfax, Virginia 22030

To the Members of the U.S.-Soviet Peace Child Company:

Welcome to Washington, D.C. It is fitting that you wind-up your U.S.-Soviet tour here in the capital of the United States. Probably more than any other American city, Washington represents the strong desire of our people for lasting world peace. We recognize and truly appreciate your efforts to help achieve that goal.

Sincerely,

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BOB DOLE  
Senate Majority Leader



MARK O. HATFIELD  
OREGON

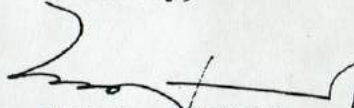
United States Senate  
WASHINGTON, DC

October 8, 1986

Dear Friends:

We all too often are seduced into convoluted discussions of geopolitical strategy and superpower relations which allow us to forget that the Soviet Union and our own country are composed of individual men, women, and children. Our joys and our problems are human joys and human problems, and programs like this help to remind us that we all belong to a global community. As a member of the United States Senate and a citizen of that world community, I am delighted to welcome the Peace Children, and thank them for their offering of hope and humanity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark O. Hatfield', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Mark O. Hatfield  
United States Senator

MOH:cm



*from the office of*

*Senator Edward M. Kennedy  
of Massachusetts*

SENATOR EDWARD M. KENNEDY'S MESSAGE TO BE READ AT PEACE CHILD  
KENNEDY CENTER, OCTOBER 8, 1986

I wish that I could be with you this evening to share in the first Soviet-American peace musical. I send my deepest congratulations to all those involved with the production of Peace Child, -- the children, the musicians, the directors, the people who devoted their time, energy, and good will in preparing this production.

The theme of the Peace Child is that children are the ones who bring the adults of the world to their senses in time to save the world from nuclear destruction. Such a simple message is one worth spreading.

This evening you will represent the kind of cooperation and good will that we need on a grander scale. Thank you Peace Child for making a start at greater understanding and communication between the people of the United States and the people of the Soviet Union. Now it is up to us to take up what you have begun.



Welcome by Senator Claiborne Pell  
To the Cast of  
PEACE CHILD

October 8, 1986

I would like to extend a hearty welcome to the children from the Soviet Union who are here to participate in "Peace Child." You have travelled far and, along with the American children, have worked hard to make this performance a success.

You are showing all of us what friendship and working together can accomplish. Through your music and your acting you are helping to break down the barriers between American and Soviet people. It is an example for your elders to follow.

I wish I could be with you for tonight's show. My congratulations to the Soviet and American children!





STROM THURMOND  
SOUTH CAROLINA

**The President Pro Tempore**

UNITED STATES SENATE

October 6, 1986

Mr. David R. Woollcombe  
President  
Peace Child Foundation

Dear Mr. Woollcombe:

Thank you for your letter of recent date requesting a message to the company of "PEACE CHILD". Please read the following message at an appropriate time during the ceremonies:

IT IS MY PLEASURE TO EXTEND WARM GREETINGS TO ALL IN ATTENDANCE AT THIS HISTORIC PERFORMANCE OF "PEACE CHILD". ALTHOUGH MANY DIFFERENCES EXIST BETWEEN OUR TWO CULTURES AND GOVERNMENTS, IT IS IMPORTANT, ESPECIALLY IN THIS INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF PEACE, FOR US TO CELEBRATE OUR COMMON HUMANITY. WE HAVE SUPPORTED ARTISTIC EXCHANGES BEFORE, BUT THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PRODUCTION IS THE FACT THAT IT IS A JOINT VENTURE -- A COOPERATIVE EFFORT IN WHICH OUR CHILDREN HAVE BEEN LIVING AND WORKING TOGETHER, SHARING EXPERIENCES WHICH WILL LAST A LIFETIME. I WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE MEMBERS OF THE COMPANY; THE PEACE CHILD FOUNDATION; AND ALL OF THE SOVIET AND AMERICAN OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS WHO WORKED TO MAKE THIS LANDMARK EFFORT POSSIBLE. WITH KINDEST PERSONAL REGARDS AND BEST WISHES.

STROM THURMOND  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE  
UNITED STATES SENATE





HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20515

MORRIS K. UDALL  
2ND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT  
ARIZONA

October 8, 1986

Zdrast-Vitshe (Stras-Veets-Ya). Welcome.

It is wonderful to hear the different voices and see the different characteristics of our countries come together tonight. As you and your American friends have worked and played together, showing each other your countries, I am sure you have found that your similarities - your love of music, dance, acting and most important your desire for Peace between our nations - have overcome our cultural and political differences.

It is heartening to have our governments on their way to Reykjavik, Iceland for a pre-Summit meeting as our youth stand together on this stage. It is essential to World Peace to broach our differences on all levels: Here at the Kennedy Center and in Iceland; with our youth and with our leaders.

Thank you for sharing with us your many and diverse talents both on and off the stage. Let's do it again real soon.

All my best,

*Mo Udall*

Mo Udall

*Le Président  
du Parlement Européen*

THE LORD PLUMB

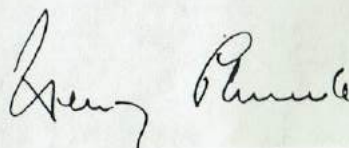
MESSAGE DU PRESIDENT A L'ASSOCIATION DU LIVRE DE LA PAIX

La paix et la construction européenne vont de pair. Depuis 30 ans que la Communauté européenne a été fondée, les conflits fratricides ont cessé.

Les échanges de biens, de culture, de travailleurs, de jeunes, d'informations, entre les pays de la Communauté européenne ne sont-ils pas le facteur de paix le plus infailible qui puisse être? Non seulement dans les limites de la Communauté, mais également en dehors.

Le dialogue, la liberté et la tolérance ont maintenant remplacé les conflits et les guerres.

Le projet 'Peace Child' est un exemple d'un effort vivant, pour que les objectifs de la démocratie, de la liberté et de la paix soient partagés par ceux qui exerceront des responsabilités dans le monde de demain.



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October 8, 1986

"Peace Child" Cast  
The Kennedy Center  
Washington, D.C.

YOUR TOUR HAS BEEN RIGOROUS AND DEMANDING. YOU  
HAVE SHARED A GREAT EXPERIENCE, AND MADE MANY  
FRIENDS. IN TODAY'S WORLD IT IS ESSENTIAL TO  
KEEP OPEN THESE LINES OF COMMUNICATIONS --- IN  
ORDER TO BUILD TRUST, TO LEARN FROM ONE ANOTHER,  
AND PREVENT COSTLY MISUNDERSTANDINGS. GOOD LUCK  
AND A SAFE RETURN TO YOUR HOMES.

Gerald R. Ford

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## House of Representatives

THE PEACE CHILD FOUNDATION  
"City at Peace"

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**Hon. DANTE B. FASCELL**

OF FLORIDA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 25, 1990

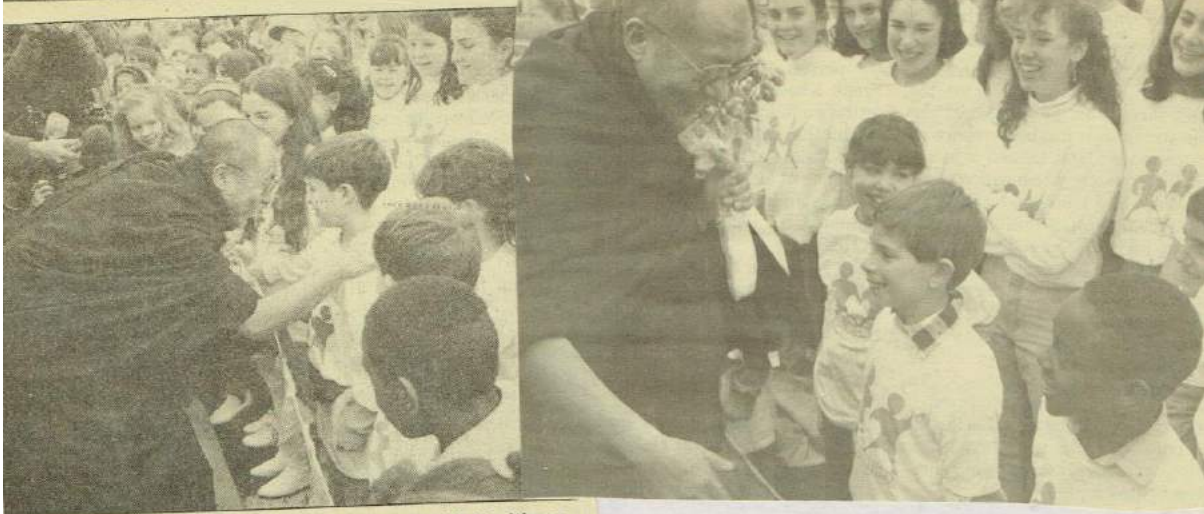
Mr. FASCELL. Mr. Speaker. I rise today to give recognition to a group whose work with children across America and around the world is helping to promote peace and harmony and build bridges across racial lines. The Peace Child Foundation brings children from diverse backgrounds together to work toward a common goal of creating and performing in a musical revue, combining and sharing their unique cultures and experiences.

The Peace Child Foundation is a nonprofit organization which acts as an umbrella for local groups in cities around the United States; helps them get started and gain sponsorship; and oversees the international projects of the foundation. The local groups bring children of different races together to create and perform a musical production extolling harmony and peace. Internationally, Peace Child selects American youth to join with children from other countries to perform and share their cultures and ideas. With these small steps, they are aiding in the peace process in a unique way.

I was recently fortunate enough to see "City at Peace," presented by the Miami branch of the Peace Child Foundation. It was comprised of 112 students who sang and danced their way into the audience's heart. They put their individual talents and interests together and produced a moving show, encompassing the ideals of peace and racial harmony, combined with an antidrug message. Through their effort and group commitment, these young people learned that although they come from different backgrounds, they are all part of one community and can work together to create something truly special on their own. Hopefully with this experience, these children, and those they come in contact with, will grow older and wiser without the prejudice and fear that comes with the unknown.



APRIL 4-10, 1991



**MUTUAL ADMIRATION:** The Dalai Lama meets with the Ithaca Peace Child Chorus.

Dear David,

Thanks for your sweet note. Somehow I keep missing you. - didn't make it down to Council because we are intensely involved in our "City at Peace" production right now. But I would love to sit around and talk with you sometime.

(I also missed you at Vicki's party in Rochester - but you spoke with my daughter Lisa - a tall 15-yr-old with a mane of red hair?).

In any case, I'm sending you the clippings from our extraordinary experience with His Holiness the Dalai Lama. Mark Sklarow joined us for the welcoming reception at the airport, where the chorus sang "I Have a Vision", and His Holiness would not give his talk until he had come over to greet the children. The Dalai Lama is the embodiment of pure joy and compassion, and you can see from the picture how he affects those around him.

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DIRECTORS CORNER

Never before has a play meant so much to me as Peace Child did this year. I didn't think that I would look so deeply and so closely into life, hand in hand with the students, and come out gaining so much. The pain, the beauty...everything about our existence.

This musical is an experience, not a religious or political musical, but an experience about life through the eyes of a child. For a director, especially one who teaches at an international school, this is an enriching opportunity.

Just imagine your kids contributing not only in the writing of the script, the choreography and the directing, but also in the development of ideas and beliefs. The students add, change, revise all aspects of the play. There is a collection of scripts and songs passed on from kids all over the world and you use these as a base. From there on, the door is wide open for you and the students.

I encourage theatre directors to take a look at Peace Child, not only for next year, but any year, anytime (especially when your school has been closed for a few days, the security is tightened and the news is filled with "WAR" - its nice to know you're looking at peace and caring for one another, not only in the theatre but also in your surroundings).

I'd also like to point out that all the people involved with Peace Child offer a great deal of support. Bernard Benson, who wrote the book that the first script is based on, has just completed a second one called TASHI. He as well as others connected with Peace Child, will answer any questions you have. We with ISTA, know how important this is and can be thankful for people like Pat Zich and Ted Miltenberger who have always given International Schools their support.

Yours sincerely,

P.S. David, I sent this in and got it approved by Pat. I also gave them your name and address.





Peace Children meet James Grant

*President's United States - Soviet  
Exchange Initiative*

Office of the Coordinator



July 8, 1986

Dear Mr. Woollcombe:

Thank you for providing us with information on your forthcoming Soviet-American Peace Child tour, scheduled to take place in the Soviet Union and in the United States in August, September and October of this year.

The U.S.-USSR Cultural Exchanges Agreement recently signed in Geneva endorsed the idea of expanded contacts between the people of the United States and the Soviet Union. President Reagan has expressed a personal interest in increasing the flow of young people in cooperative ventures in both countries.

The Soviet-American Peace Child tour will provide an opportunity for young people in both countries to become acquainted with one another and to learn more about life in one another's societies. We are hopeful that they will gain a great deal personally from their experience as participants in this process.

Thank you for informing us about this venture and we wish you success in the use of this production for developing closer relationships between the young people of our two countries.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Stephen H. Rhinesmith".

Stephen H. Rhinesmith  
Coordinator

Mr. David Woollcombe  
President  
Peace Child Foundation  
3977 Chain Bridge Road  
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24 September 1986

The Cast and Production Staff of Peace Child  
Los Angeles, California Production

Congratulations to all of you involved in Peace Child !

We in Orange County WAND celebrate your energy and vision with this production. We thank the Soviet participants in particular for their courage and stamina as part of an international cast traveling such long distances. Congratulations again !

WAND Orange County has participated in the Laguna Beach production of Peace Child and two children from our membership are in the chorus of the Los Angeles production. It has been a wonderful experience for them and for us.

WAND does election work and sponsors many public education activities. Each year we have a large public event focussed on reclaiming Mother's Day's original meaning as a day of peace. Part of that program includes participating in the international Peace Bell Treaty. One of our members, Michelle McFadden is the official bell holder in our time zone. The bell holders in the Soviet Union are Karina Pogosova, United Nations Association, 36 Prospekt Mira, Moscow and Nikolai Zverev, Baptist Union of the USSR, P.O. Box 520, Moscow. You might want to communicate with them when you return home.

WAND was founded in 1980 by Dr. Helen Caldicott to help women and men play leading roles in ending the nuclear arms race. We have approximately 375 members in our local group and a national membership of 10,000. We are all committed to working for a peaceful world and eliminating the threat of nuclear annihilation.

Once again, thank you for your presence here and for the production of Peace Child.

Sincerely,

*Paula Bruce*

Paula Bruce, Coordinator  
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September 25, 1986

Dear Soviet-American Peace Child Concert Tour:

Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR), the United States affiliate of International Physicians for Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW), is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating the medical profession and the public about the medical consequences of the nuclear arms race and nuclear war.

The Los Angeles chapter of PSR represents over 2,000 members who are concerned that the costly nuclear arms race is being purchased at the expense of worldwide seriously neglected health needs.

PSR doctors have established that there can be no meaningful treatment for the huge number of casualties resulting from a nuclear attack. Prevention is the only viable solution and, therefore, PSR is working to promote a nuclear test ban treaty.

Members of PSR believe that we must reach out our hands and our hearts across national boundaries to save our planet from a "Race to Oblivion," the title of a film produced by our Los Angeles chapter. An important part of PSR activity is the frequent trips we take to talk to and visit with physicians from other countries. We have traveled most recently to the Soviet Union, China, and to East and West Germany in our efforts to exchange ideas and lend support (and gain support) to halt the arms race.

We want to thank the Soviet-American Peace Child Concert Tour for bringing that same spirit to Los Angeles in such a beautiful way. Please know that LAPSR welcomes your tour and that you will continue to be in our hearts and minds as you travel across the United States.

Yours in peace,

Los Angeles Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility





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Soviet-American Peace Child Tour

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Dear Peacemakers,

Orange County Educators for Social Responsibility welcomes you to Southern California! We are only one year old and have grown to over 100 members. We publish a monthly networking newsletter and hold monthly education meetings.

This fall, we are launching our Days of Dialogue in conjunction with our national office on the topic "Across Boundaries: Thinking About the Soviet Union." We will have a presentation about Soviet education at all levels at our October meeting. Another member will share her treasured scrapbook of letters from her pen pal in the Soviet Union. We feel it is very important to learn about the similarities and differences of our two countries and to learn how to dialogue solutions to our conflicts.

Individual members will be presenting lessons in our classrooms, setting up Soviet displays in our libraries and showing the new ESR video "A Day in Moscow." We will have a display and presentation at an Orange County "Uniting for Peace" conference in October and hope to sponsor one or more workshops and/or conferences dealing with Soviet-American relationships.

You may remember seeing an Earth balloon as part of the celebration at the United Nations September 16th. This was conceived by one of our members, Paul Portner, and OC-ESR helped network this so that children in hundreds of schools wrote and talked about peace and sent their messages aloft on the International Day of Peace. We would love to involve some schools in the USSR next year.

Thank you for giving of your time and talent to make this production of "Peace Child" and help spread the message of peace throughout our countries.

With thoughts of peace,

*Susan A. Eaton*

Susan A. Eaton, Member  
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Dear friends

The San Fernando Valley Branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom is honored to send this letter of support for the Soviet - American Peace Child Tour.

WILPF is the only International Women's Peace Group. Begun in 1915 at the Hague, it has continually worked for a disarmed world in which all peoples of the world can live and work together in harmony. The United States Section numbers approximately 12,000 members. The League has sections in 30 countries. Its most recent International Congress in The Netherlands had participants from 36 countries and 5 continents.

WILPF is committed to working for a world of peace and justice through education and actions all around the world leading to the achievement of freedom and justice for all. For many years it has worked with women's groups in many countries to bring the energy and wisdom of women together to impact the decision-making process in international bodies.

Because WILPF is an organization of women, it has special concern for children - its own and the world's children. It believes that activities like that of PEACE CHILD can only help to promote understanding between children of countries with differing economic and political systems, but that it will also help to influence the parents and other adults to work for a world of peace.

Thank you for this event. Please know that the San Fernando Valley Branch of the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom commends you and all who help to make this tour a success.

In peace

Lois V. Hamer, President





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## American Friends Service Committee

September 25, 1986

Soviet Participants in the  
1986 Peace Child Foundation Tour  
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Santa Monica, Ca. 90403

Dear Soviet friends,

On behalf of the American Friends Service Committee, I want to extend a warm welcome to you all as you proceed with the southern California production of "Peace Child." We have been most interested to follow your journey through the United States, and we want you to know how much we value the kind of thing you are doing -- helping, through personal exchange, to plant seeds of friendship between your country and ours.

Through the years, the American Friends Service Committee has had several programs and projects working to advance understanding between our two countries. Currently, we are sponsoring exchanges of teachers and journalists between Moscow and various parts of the United States. We are also working hard, through conferences and other opportunities, to help our citizens understand more about your country, and to promote peaceful dialogue.

We welcome you, and we send our very best wishes for a particularly successful and happy time in southern California.

Sincerely,

*Kitty Barragato*

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MESSAGE TO THE PEACE CHILD PERFORMERS

It is with great regret that I was, unfortunately, called out of town and that I am unable to be with you.

I was hoping to meet with you personally to express my interest and appreciation for all that you are doing to improve the relations between our two countries.

The Peace Child performances come at a particularly appropriate time. It was thirty years ago this month that a White House initiative established the citizen exchange/People to People program. It was the first of many efforts, like your own, aimed at developing fruitful international friendships that serve as a vehicle for better relations and ultimately peace.

This concept was extremely important to my grandfather. He had witnessed--firsthand-- the tragedy of war and he believed deeply in developing personal contacts to pave the way for better communication and understanding. Such exchange, he believed, would play a significant role in the long term resolution of conflict.

Like your efforts, the Eisenhower World Affairs Institute has dedicated itself to the concept of exchanging experiences. The Chautauqua/Eisenhower Conference -- "A Journey in Open Diplomacy"-- that took place in Jurmala two weeks ago, is an example of how meaningful and productive such programs can be.

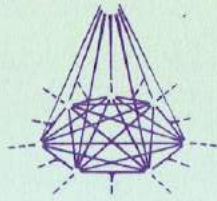
I applaud your efforts and the commitment you have made to keep the channels of communication open. No one, perhaps, can do it better than the youth of our countries who share a most direct and vital concern in the future.

Best of luck with your performance tomorrow night at the Kennedy Center. My thoughts and warm best wishes go with you.

Susan Eisenhower



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Dear PEACE CHILD

We are a non-denominational spiritual organization that is endeavoring to promote the basic truths behind all religious beliefs through our publication, "MEDITATION Magazine". Our publication reaches up to 10,000 readers throughout the United States and Canada plus some internationally. In addition to our magazine we hold weekly classes to aid individuals discovering their own potential and spirituality. We also hold various monthly gatherings for the purpose of uniting humanity on the inner planes through meditation and prayer.

Our vision for the near future is a humanity that works together. That individuals, groups, religions and nations begin to focus on commonalities rather than differences. We feel there is a universal desire for a world without fear, without hunger, without senseless violence. That we can unite our attention and our resources toward the world problems facing our race thus recognizing our basic unity. Compassion and brotherhood are our priority, differences can transmute into unique avenues of service. Our ultimate vision is a world where people and social systems consciously participate in the facilitation of growth for the planet and all life within its sphere.

Although we are far and cannot see you over the curve of our globe, our thoughts and our energy are consistently reaching for a new touch of appreciation, of understanding. We admire the efforts of PEACE CHILD and whole heartedly support the tours missions. May peace be an everyday thought or seed in all of our hearts.

Be assured that we move hand in hand with you in this revolution of the heart. That we are partners and share solidarity in this great hope, great faith and in the great inevitability of a unified planet. Let's hug if only because we both know we are not really war people - that we are partners. We appreciate your actions. Thank you for preparing all of us with songs of peace and harmony. We fully support peaceful coexistence on all levels. Thanks.

May Peace Prevail

*Tricia Harbula*

The Staff of MEDITATION Magazine,  
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# WITNESS FOR PEACE

*Acción Permanente Cristiana Por La Paz*

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September 24, 1986

Peace Child Foundation  
2210 Wilshire Blvd. - Suite 598  
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Dear Friends for Peace with Justice:

The Pacific Southwest Region of Witness for Peace welcomes the Soviet participants in the Peace Child U.S.-Soviet tour. We wish especially to express our thanks and appreciation for your time and efforts on behalf of peace with justice.

Witness for Peace seeks to develop an ever-broadening, prayerful, biblically based community of United States citizens who stand with the Nicaraguan people by acting in continuous non-violent resistance to covert or overt intervention in their country. Just as the United States of America was born in the claiming of the right of the people to self-determination, so we support that same right for the Nicaraguan people. It is our aim to mobilize public opinion on behalf of a U.S. foreign policy which more consistently fosters justice, peace and friendship. This commitment of ours grows out of and is nourished by both our religious and our civic heritage. Moreover, it involves our conviction that those who work for peace must be willing to take risks commensurate with the risks taken by those who fight in wars.

We look forward to standing with you during your visit for peace with justice in the global village which for a brief but precious and holy time we share together.

Sincerely,

Tom Clagett, Coordinator  
Pacific Southwest Region  
Witness for Peace

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TOM CLAGETT, COORDINATOR, PACIFIC SOUTHWEST REGION  
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**Harbor Area Peace Committee**  
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Sept. 24, 1986

To the Soviet-American  
Peace Child Tour  
Los Angeles, California

Dearest Children:

You plead for understanding and for life itself. Your caring and your wisdom sets an example we hope the adult world will have the sense to follow.

Long ago, when the individual colonies on this continent quarreled and found it hard to reach the agreement which became the United States of America, Benjamin Franklin is reported to have warned: If we don't hang together we'll all hang separately.

How true this is for all the world today. Failure to "hang together," to cooperate, could mean that we are all atomized.

Our organization, representing some 300 people in and around the port area of the city of Los Angeles, seeks mutual understanding among nations, disarmament, the dedication of the billions spent for weapons to bettering the lives of the world's peoples. Add the cornerstone of world friendship rests upon an eradication of the misunderstandings between the peoples of the USSR and the USA.

We believe that evil forces have falsely built up a fear in this country that the Soviet Union wants to conquer us, and so many policies which our organization opposes rest upon this supposition; the support of bloodthirsty terrorists in Nicaragua and Angola is especially distressing.

We will keep on trying to enlighten our friends and neighbors and change the warlike direction taken by the current Administration in Washington.

And you have our love and our heartfelt good wishes.

Helen Travis, Secretary  
for the Harbor Area Peace Committee



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Mr. Conn Nugent

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Dear Conn,

Could you please convey the following message from Dr. E. Chazov to Ms. Cora Weiss and Ms. Nancy Delvin - Bohn, organisers of Soviet-American Peace Child Concerts in the United States. The address is Riverside Church Disarmament Programm, 490 Riverside Drive, New York, No. 4, 10027,

begin text.

I send my warmest regards to Ms. Cora Weiss and Ms. Nancy Delv Bohn with all the best wishes for the success of Peace Child Concerts in New York city. May your efforts promote world peace and better understanding between our two nations.

E. CHAZOV

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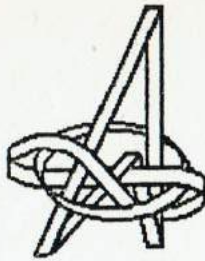
Warmest regards, Al. Scherbakov.

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There will come a time, we know, when people will take delight in one another, when each will be a star to the others, and when each of us will listen to our fellows as to music.

The free people will walk upon the earth. People great in freedom. We will walk with open hearts, and our hearts will be pure of envy and greed. Therefore all humanity will be without malice, there will be nothing to divorce the heart from reason.

Then life will be one great service to humanity! Our figure will be raised to lofty heights, for to free people, all heights are attainable.

Then we shall live in truth and freedom, and in beauty; and those will be accounted the best who will the more widely embrace the world with their hearts, and whose love will be the profoundest. Those will be the best who will be the freest, for in them is the greatest beauty;

Then life will be great, and the people will be great who live that life.

'Esperanza' excerpted from The Mother by Maxim Gorky

# WAND/L.A.

Women's Action For Nuclear Disarmament



September 28, 1986

Dear Soviet Friends,

WAND/L.A. is the Los Angeles affiliate of WAND, Women's Action For Nuclear Disarmament, founded by Dr. Helen Caldicott. Our group is a women's initiative to unite women and men in the worldwide effort to reverse the arms race and to achieve peace with justice. We target women who traditionally have not been politically active or involved in the nuclear disarmament issue. Some of our activities include a monthly educational newsletter, a monthly meeting with speakers or films, an audio-visual lending library, and a speaker outreach program. We also work with a coalition of peace groups in the Los Angeles area. We hope for and work toward a world of peace and justice for all children to grow up in. We deeply thank the Soviet people and children in Peace Child. Soviet and American people working together is an important step towards peace. The message of "Peace Child" is an important message for all to hear. Thank you again for your contribution to world peace.

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## Nuclear Free Zone Registry

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Sept. 30, 1986

Dear Friends in the Soviet-American Peace Child tour,

We are so glad you are here in Los Angeles! A warm welcome from the Nuclear Free Zone Registry!

Our organization, begun in 1982, is headquartered in Lake Elsinore, a small town in Southern California. We are a non-profit educational information center. We collect, produce and distribute materials and data on Nuclear Weapons Free Zones around the world.

Our mailing list consists of over 3,000 people, mostly in the United States, but also in other countries. Our motto is, "Let's Make the World a Nuclear Free Zone!" Our vision is a world free from the threat of nuclear weapons. We look forward to a world in which individuals, as well as nations, share the planet in cooperation, mutual respect and use nonviolent means to resolve conflicts.

Nuclear Free Zones are areas within which the development, testing, transportation, deployment, funding and usage of nuclear weapons have been prohibited. Currently, over 3,000 cities in the world are Nuclear Free Zones. In the United States, 118 cities and counties, 65 schools and 180 churches and synagogues have declared themselves Nuclear Free Zones. In a third of the American cities and counties, the Nuclear Free Zones are legally-binding ordinances, voted into being by the citizens or through the courageous actions of the city councils.

Our T-shirts say, "Let's Make the World a Nuclear Free Zone" in English, Russian, Chinese and French, (the languages used in the countries that have nuclear weapons). The words circle the Dove of Peace.

Peace? It's up to you and me. We believe the spreading of nuclear free zones around the world will help bring that wonderful world of peace that you and we desire.

Thank you for bringing that vision closer to reality through your dedication and participation in Peace Child. On behalf of the Nuclear Free Zone Registry, we link our hearts with you through the magic of music which you so beautifully present to us tonight.

Peace, МИР, and much appreciation,

*Jeanne Tanase*  
+ *Brian P. Moucka*

Jeanne Tanase/Brian Moucka  
Co-Directors





2130 east first street, los angeles, california 90033-3993 • (213) 265-3303

September 24, 1986

Dear Friends of the Peace Child Tour:

We are the staff of the Peace and Justice Center of Southern California, an organization that has, for six years, worked to raise the consciences of people in the Southern California area and beyond to bring about peace with justice.

We are a group of religious women working from the Roman Catholic perspective to link the Gospel message to issues of world peace and social justice. As educators and resource persons, we provide speakers and audio-visual materials on various issues to schools, congregations, and other interested organizations. In addition, we publish a bi-monthly newsletter reaching over 500 members.

Our education work is enhanced by action to bring about peace and justice. We work directly with other groups on such issues as sanctuary for Central American refugees and equality for women in the church and in society. Often, individual staff members witness to their beliefs through protests and civil disobedience.

As seekers of peace, we support the members of the Soviet-American Peace Child Tour. A theatrical tour of Soviet and American children is indeed a sign of hope in the midst of troubled Soviet-American relations. We, the Peace and Justice Center staff, wish you the best in your tour and in your work for peace.

In peace, for justice,

The Peace & Justice Center Staff

The Peace and Justice Center of Southern California has as its purpose to enable others to realize the integral relationship of the Gospel message to issues of world peace and social justice. The Center staff is committed to the methodology of social analysis and theological reflection as the basis for immediate social action and systemic change. The Center provides resource persons, materials and programs from the Roman Catholic tradition and perspective. As a project of the Leadership Conference of Women Religious (LCWR), the Center is a non-profit organization. A tax-deductible contribution to the Center is an opportunity to be involved in the ministry of peace and justice.



S. Michele McFadden  
221 N. Pine Street  
Orange, CA 92666  
(714) 771-2477

September 30, 1986

To the Cast, Musicians and Production Staff of  
the Los Angeles Production of Peace Child:

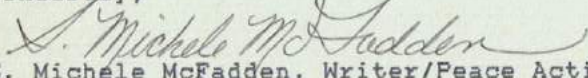
As a member of the global peace community, I would like to thank you for the wonderful gift of the Peace Child. You have shared your very best with us -- your music, your capacity of bringing characters to life, your dancing, your production skills, your spontaneous good will. Most of all, you have shared your spirit, shared with us the universal hope that springs from every human heart -- the inner voice that says, "I want to live in peace with the rest of humanity, to smile and cry and laugh, to watch my children run and play, to raise a family and walk peacefully toward old age in harmony with all creation."

I am a member of a number of different peace groups, but consider myself first and foremost a children's peace activist. I believe with the birth of each generation we have a new opportunity to create a world of peace and justice, to create a generation which loves peace more than war, values sharing more than keeping, yearns for justice rather than oppression, and believes in conserving our one world's natural beauty for future generations.

And so I write a bimonthly column for children called, "For Children of Peace," which appears in the Peace Conversion Times, a publication of the Orange County Alliance for Survival. The column follows the continuing story of four children - Frieda (of Polish descent), Clem (a Black), Jeff (of Japanese descent), and Eva (a recent immigrant from Mexico) - and their club, "Earthlings for a Beautiful World." They also have two extra-terrestrial friends, Borbal and Steinmozer, who come from a planet on which a nuclear war was averted. The stories are fictional, but I often write about actual peace activities for children such as the worldwide Children's Peace Bell Rally, the Children's Peace Ballot, and the play, Peace Child. In one story, Borbal and Steinmozer took the children on a magical tour of the Soviet Union. Through the stories, I try to help children overcome their prejudices, control their anger, deal with their fears, and learn to take responsibility for the health of the planet.

This is what I offer to the world through my stories. Thank you for offering your gift to us. We will treasure it in our hearts.

Sincerely,

  
S. Michele McFadden, Writer/Peace Activist

Member: WAND, Alliance for Survival, Interfaith Peace Ministry,  
ESR, Greenpeace, and supporter of The Great Peace March  
for Global Nuclear Disarmament

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# *Church Women United*

*Southern California ~ Southern Nevada*



September 23, 1986

Soviet- American Peace Child Tour  
2210 Wilshire Blvd. Ste 598  
Santa Monica, CA 90403

Dear friends

Church Women United of Southern California-Southern Nevada are delighted with the tour of the children from the Soviet Union as they involve so many children from the United States in their tour.

Church Women United is a movement of Christian women - Protestant, Catholic and others - who are committed to making the Gospel relevant to life, and who see this as including a strong emphasis on peace-making in both our individual lives and in the relationships of groups, including nation states.

As a movement, CWU, Southern California/Southern Nevada is over 50 years old. as a national movement, it is over 40 years old and includes more than one million women. Women in Church Women United have contacts with women in many of the Christian women's groups, with many other women's groups, and work closely in coalitions working to improve the human condition, and to develop positive and creative relationships among nations.

As women, mothers and grandmothers, members of Church Women United are deeply concerned with the opportunities for children to grow in all ways. This especially includes, in these days, the need to build relationships across national and ethnic lines.

We heartily commend the Peace Child program and urge a continuation of this kind of relationship and visibility among the nations of the world.

In the faith that this project can make a difference.

*Cleopal Weeden*

Cleopal Weeden, President

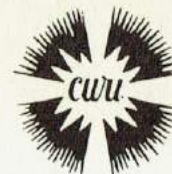
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# CAMPAIGN FOR CHILD SURVIVAL



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Sept. 15, 1986

Lynn Pentz  
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Santa Monica CA.

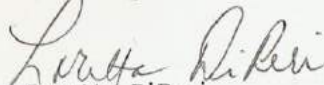
Dear Lynn,

This is a letter of support and endorsement for the Peace Child Tour from the Los Angeles Campaign for Child Survival. I have asked each of the individual organizations participating in the Campaign to also endorse your endeavors. Unfortunately the amount of participation on my end is limited to moral support as I will not be in Los Angeles on Sept. 28th.

The tie between the work our Campaign is endeavoring to accomplish - an improvement in the quality of life for children and reduction in infant mortality, can only come about when there is world peace.

I wish you success with your event.

Sincerely,

  
Loretta DiPeri  
Model City Coordinator

LP/ms  
CC: Dominic Canavano





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FROM THE DESK OF --  
MRS. GERTRUDE SWANSON  
PRESIDENT

Dear Barbara:

PEACE CHILD has come and gone, leaving a tremendous impact on this community.

I can't begin to tell you how impressed my husband and I were with the stupendous amount of time, energy and skills that produced the performance we saw. We have been involved in smaller ways with international community productions, so could properly appreciate what you produced here in Mpls.

Linda was over here the other night, and I voiced the wish that thousands of people in this country who dream of having a peaceful world could see those children in action. What an inspiration to all of us who try to add something to the sum-total of those who are devoting their lives to that goal.

I talked to our friend, Abbott Washburn in Washington the other day. He is on the Committee there that will be putting on the P.C. production. I told him that they'd have to "go some" to equal what we had the opportunity of seeing here. All those youngsters dressed in white singing their hearts out.. the beautiful Russian children, those who took the leading roles...they moved me to tears. What a script! What lovely music!

Thank you for letting us share in your fantastic production.

Sincerely

*Gertrude S.*

# Women's International League for Peace and Freedom



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September 25, 1986

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Peace Child Foundation  
2210 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 598  
Santa Monica, Ca. 90403

Dear Friends,

Women's International League for Peace and Freedom was founded in 1915 by a group of women from the belligerent and neutral nations. Their aim was to end the war and convince the nations involved to sit down and talk peace. Unfortunately they were not successful. However, since that year, over 70 years ago, the organization has worked for peace and total disarmament worldwide. Internationally, we have groups in 27 countries in 5 continents. In the United States we have branches all over the country and in Los Angeles we have a membership of about 500.

We reach out to other women through our literature which we distribute wherever we are able. We also work with other women's organizations, on issues we agree on. Our aim, according to our last international congress, held July 1986 in the Netherlands, is for a NUCLEAR WEAPON AND HUNGER FREE 21ST CENTURY.

We are especially happy to welcome the Soviet-American Peace Child Tour as we are convinced that only by people working together, can we really learn to understand each other, and we learn also, that the people of both our countries truly want peace. We are grateful for those people responsible for bringing this tour to the United States and that this will be the beginning of working together for a peaceful world.

With Peace and Love,

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE FOR PEACE & FREEDOM

*Blanche Spindel*  
President





# TreePeople

12601 Mulholland Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210 (213) 273-8733 (818) 769-2663

30 September 1986

Dear Friends,

What a funny name...TreePeople. But what an accurate one for the work we do. We bring people and trees together. Or rather, we bring people together with people, through the planting of trees. And although we like trees, we like people even more. Trees are a very nice medium for our message.

We speak to over 20,000 children each year through our environmental education program, 4,000 people through our newsletter, and countless hundreds at our events - work parties, plantings, tree distributions, lectures, trainings, workshops, speaking engagements.

Our hope for the world is that we can elevate the healing of the planet far above the political arena, to the point that it's clear there is no us and them....there is only us. In that place, every one of us will see the importance and the power of the individual, and will act as if we alone can bring about the peace, and love, and care this earth needs -- because, in truth, that's the only way it can come about.

TreePeople applauds the Peace Child Tour for the part it's playing in bringing an US consciousness to the world. May these children live to tell their grandchildren of the monumental role they played in helping defuse the nuclear threat.

In love and partnership,

Andy and Katie Lipkis

ORANGE COUNTY MONTHLY MEETING  
OF THE  
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)

144 Ave de la Paz  
San Clemente, CA 92672  
September 23, 1986

Soviet members of the cast of "Peace Child"  
c/o Dominic Canavarro  
Peace Child Foundation  
2210 Wilshire Blvd. Ste. 598  
Santa Monica, CA 90403

To Soviet members of the cast of "Peace Child":

Welcome to Southern California. We hope you enjoy your time here.

Members of Orange County Friends Meeting (Quakers) wish to thank you for your great generosity in giving so much of your lives to bring a message of peace.

Quakers have been committed to the peaceful solution of conflict for 350 years. We believe that it is absolutely essential that our nations live together without violence and feel that this is possible. We applaud your commitment.

Congratulations to all involved with producing "Peace Child".

With sincere thanks,

*Lee Steelman*  
Lee Steelman, Clerk



Redlands Peace Group  
P.O. Box 561  
Redlands, Ca 92373

Soviet American Peace Child Tour  
2210 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 598  
Santa Monica, CA 90403

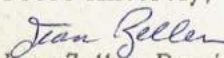
Dear Friends:

Greetings to you from the Redlands Peace Group! We are a group of men and women who seek to understand the causes of conflict among people and nations. Out of that understanding we work to influence our government toward policies that will bring justice and peace to our world. For example, some of us write to our legislators about arms control. Some from our group have taken part in vigils to show our concern and to be a witness to others. Last year we wrote letters trying to establish a sister city program with a city of the same size as ours in the Soviet Union. Although we were unsuccessful it was an effort in which a number of people in our group participated.

It is our conviction that one key to a peaceful future is for adults of our country and of the Soviet Union to have an opportunity to know one another. Several people from our group have visited in the Soviet Union. We have a saying: "Strangers are friends I haven't yet met." I like to believe that is true of citizens of this country and of the Soviet Union. As adults we need to talk to one another about the many hopes that we share for our children's and grandchildren's futures. We need to believe and live by a faith that a good future for all our children is possible. Together we must build toward such things as freedom from want, freedom to pursue learning, opportunity for constructive work, and freedom to seek and share the experience of peoples in all parts of the world. As a peace loving people we believe strongly in the value of all human life. We think that as we value and respect others we make the ultimate statement about ourselves.

It is from these beliefs that we extend a welcome to the children and young people of the Soviet Union who have come to share a part of themselves with us. We hope it is the token of much more sharing to come in the future, by people of all backgrounds and talents. We want many of you to come to us, and we hope you will make it possible for many of us to study and learn in your country.

Yours sincerely,

  
Jean Zeller, President  
Redlands Peace Group

P. O. Box 629, Los Angeles, CA 90053  
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**UNION / RESCUE MISSION of Los Angeles**

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226 S. Main St.

Peace Child Foundation  
2210 Wilshire, Suite 598  
Santa Monica, CA 90403

Dear PEACE CHILD:

We are from the Youth Ministries department of the Union Rescue Mission, in downtown Los Angeles. The Union Rescue Mission traditionally functions to serve the men of Skid Row in their physical and spiritual needs. The population of Skid Row has changed to include women and children. Our task, with the help of volunteers, is to serve the children and families of the resident hotels, as well as a nearby housing project, called Aliso Village. We offer spiritual, emotional and practical encouragement to people through Bible Studies; recreational activities; cultural events; visitation; and helping with food and clothing needs.

Jesus said, "Blessed are the peacemakers..." We appreciate the important work of PEACE CHILD. The effort to break down stereo-types and to raise the consciousness of young people in working towards world peace is both admirable and significant. Many thanks to those who are working hard on this project and thank-you for including us in this effort toward a more peaceful world.

Sincerely,

*Leslie Fifield*

Leslie Fifield



# GROUND ZERO MINNESOTA

The GROUND ZERO educational program has been endorsed by:

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and  
Dr. Ruth Randall, Minn. Commissioner of Education

Dear David, American Peace Child Cast & Support Crew:

October 6, 1986

I hope you are all healthy, reasonably happy and not too exhausted. I bet you're almost as tired as we are! (really, we know you worked hard for months)

Writing a generic letter is hard, but necessary. In addition to the regular workload, my little Sierra Marie consumes as much time as she can. I sent you-all the best picture I could of her with some peace child background.

I couldn't take many pictures while I was running around "securing" your visit, and solving little problems mainly. But I wanted to take this one last opportunity to thank you for your efforts, and to recall my little reason for working on peace. May you all get little reasons of your own!


Sierra is also the name of my favorite mountain range, you may know by now. Anyway I extend to you all an invitation to go with me someday into some of the most beautiful mountains in North America -- those of you from California know why I like them so much. I've taken many people into many fine mountains but the Sierra's are my favorite, and I hope that I can show you why someday.

What a bummer our river trip turned to soggy birdwatch! But that's the breaks with nature; there ain't no guarantees. Please note, however, David, we still blew about \$ 2,000 on preparations for that, on doo dad's like the t-shirts enclosed for Stas Namin et al. & on other misc. program costs. I mention this only so that you won't forget how much you ask when urgent letters from the east coast come. Consider it a donation to Peace Child, but don't moan too much when you're feeling broke -- My income last year was \$3,100 & I've survived peacework a very long time. It's better than bombs anyday.

At this point my instinct is to preach a sermon on how important working for peace is, but I'm sure you've heard sermons enough for a while. So instead I'll just wish you the best, hope you get back to school and to life or to projects rewarding, hope you don't have to live through a decade of hard work & low pay like I have. But if you're not burned out, expect a decade at least. The world has not got half so dangerous yet as where we're headed. Most likely Peace Child, like Ground Zero, will be very necessary for some time to come. Wish I could be more positive, but I'm very clinical about my work. The causes of war are still in ascendancy, and the largest job is still ahead.

So get some much deserved rest, and thanks again. But I hope that you-all have the strength to get up again when the bugle calls, as it surely will.

Sincerely,



GROUND ZERO, MINNESOTA  
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Minneapolis, MN 55414  
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24 Sept 86

To all those involved with the Soviet/American Peace Child Tour:

The Renaissance Foundation is in its formative stage. It's our hope it will be a cooperative creation between many nations.

The overall goal is to bring a Renaissance to our planet...a world where humankind has resolved its problems, such as, war, criminality, poverty and hunger, scarcity.....and is engaged in the spirit of play and aesthetics.

Aesthetic creation is our highest form of communication and expression. Our love of the arts is universal. People of all nations can agree upon the enchantment of children's voices combined in song, a ballet, an accomplished athlete or a brilliantly composed and performed piece of music.


All man's conflicts subside, if only for the moment, when something beautiful is before them.

The Soviet/American Peace Child Musical Tour is a perfect example of this. The children are our future. What they learn as children will be the inspiration and motivation for what they create as adults.

We thank all of you involved in this creation for helping us see, our dream is becoming a reality. It gives us great hope and inspiration.

As the Renaissance Foundation is only being expressed as an idea presently, we are excited about this opportunity we have to share it with the people of the Soviet Union and the prospect that we might be able to create it together.

With much love,



Marilyn Fox and Lorna Davis Apple

(Two mother's from the United States

that care....)

Correspond in care of: Marilyn Fox  
72 Aliso Lane  
Ventura, CA 93001 U.S.A.





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September 26, 1986

Dear David,

Just a note to add my voice to the well deserved chorus of praise for your work with Peace Child. The entire tour is such an inspiring view of collaboration and dedication- I enjoyed most of all watching the love that constantly emerged between all the people involved.

I wanted to thank you for allowing me to roam around with my camera. Capturing, and ultimately sharing, the spirit of Peace Child is very important to me. After my experience filming a documentary with the Soviets and Americans during the Mississippi Peace Cruise this summer, I have been able to focus on nothing but promoting understanding between our two countries. Mass media must begin to be responsible for bringing people together in this world.

I look forward to the growth of the Peace Child organization- I can sense that there is no limit to what you all can accomplish. By all means David, challenge the size of our hearts here in Minnesota many more times in the future!!! We will open our arms in welcome.

Good luck with the rest of the tour and thank you immensely for your passion for peace.

Kind regards,

Sally Miller  
Producer



WORKING TOGETHER WE CAN BUILD A WORLD BEYOND WAR

Dear Participants of the Soviet-American  
Peace Child Concert Tour

Beyond War is a grass roots movement of concerned people and is a direct response to the crisis now facing our world, brought about by the major nations confronting each other -- and life itself -- with unimaginable levels of destruction. Today, we face the clear possibility of extinction.

The basic tenets of the movement are that war, all war, is obsolete and, therefore, we must now seek other means to resolve conflict between nations and people. Further that the root cause of war is not economics, nor social systems, but the way we as humans think about conflict.

This knowledge gives us hope because we know that it is possible to change the way we think. We have, over time, changed our thinking about human sacrifice, human slavery, and human rights.

The purpose and goal of Beyond War is to inform people of the crisis we face and to provide them with the opportunity to discuss, develop, and demonstrate a new way of thinking that will bring about world peace.

In order to develop a new way of thinking, we must find new ways of communicating with each other. Your production and performance is a demonstration of people reaching for each other and touching the heart of humanity.

We thank you for your gift of love and for furthering the efforts of peace and understanding.

Sincerely,

Ed and Carolina Holme  
Beyond War - City of Irvine  
#6 Osprey  
Irvine, CA 92714



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Robert H. Gudger

Arthur J. Zuckerman  
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Peace Child Tour

July 1, 1986

Enclosed, Bob, is the material, including a VHS cassette, explaining and describing the Peace Child tour of the Peace Child Foundation.

My family joined me in viewing the videocassette at home, and we found it deeply moving.

I think we can all agree that a true peace initiative has to begin somewhere soon. It would be hard to find a better way to get things started than for people to witness the yearnings these children express for a personal future through their musical.

The fact that they are amateurs makes the utter conviction they project all the more poignant.

For me, Peace Child brings to mind the United Nations series that Xerox underwrote in 1964-65, a project that gave the company instant stature and provided the cornerstone of its reputation for public responsibility.



bc: Nancy Devlin Bohn



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# Alliance for Survival



Orange County  
Alliance for Survival  
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Santa Ana, CA 92701  
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September 25, 1986

To the 1986 Combined Soviet/American Cast, Musicians and  
Production Staff of Peace Child:

An American president, Dwight D. Eisenhower, once said, "I'd like to believe that people in the long run are doing more to promote peace than governments. Indeed, I think that people want peace so much that one of these days governments had better get out of their way and let them have it."

It is within this frame of reference that the Alliance for Survival operates. Like many other peace and justice groups within the United States, the Alliance for Survival is working to build a broad base of people united in a single effort for peace. We believe that the production of Peace Child is making the international links needed between people if we are to bring peace to our world. We thank you for your efforts and hope that you will be able to take the play to many other people. It inspires others to work in their own ways within their own communities towards our united goal of peace with justice.

The Alliance for Survival works locally while thinking globally. We have actively organized for nine years in Southern California to accomplish our four goals: (1) to abolish nuclear weapons and power, (2) to reverse the arms race, (3) to end military intervention, and (4) to meet human needs.

Our work involves many different activities. We meet with and write to our elected representatives informing them of our viewpoints. We educate the community by meeting with schools, churches, community groups, and private individuals. We invite people to take a public stand by taking part in demonstrations and vigils. We work in coalition with many other peace and justice organizations, both nationally and internationally, to increase our power and the voices of our constituents. We work to empower people so that they will find ways of employing their own talents in the struggle for a more peaceful world. Together we can create an atmosphere which will demand social change.

The future is in our hands, we must not let a few officials, deciding international policy, be the only ones making life and death decisions for all of us. Together we can create an atmosphere in which the leaders of the world will honestly work for the protection of our planet now and for future generations. Together we can create a nuclear-free planet. Together we can make peace a reality.

Yours sincerely for peace and justice,

Marion Pack  
Executive Director, Alliance for Survival



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MOSCOW, PENNSYLVANIA 18444

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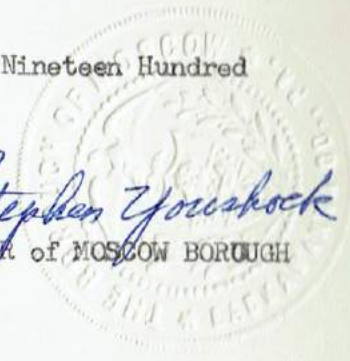
WHEREAS, All Residents WELCOME the Group from the  
Country of RUSSIA,

WHEREAS, WE, of Moscow, Pennsylvania, are pleased that  
your Group requested to see our town,

WHEREAS, WE of Moscow Borough extend the hand of  
FRIENDSHIP to you,

THEREFORE, Be it proclaimed that  
we welcome you and may you have a safe trip  
back to Russia and please plan to visit us  
again,

PROCLAIMED this eighth day of September, Nineteen Hundred  
and Eighty-Six.

  
*Stephen Zorshock*  
MAYOR of MOSCOW BOROUGH