An exceptional world citizen
Henri Groues
called "ABBÉ PIERRE"

It has been already 3 months that l'Abbé Pierre left us at the age of 95. The newspapers and other medias in France as well as in other countries of the planet have already talked a lot about this extraordinary man, this "rebel" who knew how to get out of his meditation when the situation was becoming intolerable, but about his public action not everything has been said yet.

Everybody already knows that the institution that he is leaving behind is "the companions of Emmaus". But people know less that Henri Groues committed himself at the beginning of WWII to support the persecuted Jews, the resistance fighters in Vercors and other opposition people that he hid and helped to reach Switzerland. It is during his service to the French resistance that he changed his name to "Abbé Pierre". Being himself arrested he fled the country and went through Spain to meet the free French Navy in North Africa. After the liberation of France, he involved himself in politics and was for a short period part of the National Assembly (This photo is from that period).

Here an anecdote must be reported: On June 13, 1949, he proposed an amendment to take from the military budget a contribution from 1/1000 to the benefit of world federal organisations. This proposal must be of course related to the fact that he was the vice-president of the Universal Movement for a World Confederation since 1947. (Montreux Congress – Switzerland)

It must be said that his entire life has been devoted to the human cause sometimes making him take interesting positions. His name can be found among the members of the Garry Davis support committee in 1948. He fought against the imprisonment of the conscience objectors in 1949 on the side of Albert Camus, Jean Giono, Alfred Kastler, André Breton and other important names from that period. He will support this cause until 1962. Charles de Gaulle told him once during a discussion "it is absurd and unworthy to treat conscience objectors as delinquents".

In 1966, Abbé Pierre was one of the signatories of the Appeal of the 13 world citizens of world reputation. Then from Congresses to public meetings with Guy and Renée Marchand and Jerry Bourgeois, he travelled a lot to make all the people he could bring together become aware of world citizenship and their responsibilities in the future of humanity and the planet.

Daniel Durand
MUNDIALIST STUDIES SEMINAR IN BOHICON (BENIN)

The CBDIBA (Benin Center for the Development of Grassroots Initiatives), an association created in September 1990 includes 35 members and 70 permanent salary workers. Its aim is to support the peasant organizations, in particular groups of women for their genuine self-promotion: micro-finances, micro-enterprises, functional literacy and fundamental French, protection of the environment, health, law education, decentralization and human rights, training, micro-realization, organizational support. The CBDIBA, member of ASCOP has the experience in the organization of around 160 seminars. Therefore, it was an ideal partner for the first "mundialist" studies seminar in Africa.

From 6 to 8 October 2006: A group of 35 peoples from Benin, Togo, Ghana and France came together to reflect and exchange views on world democracy. The main speakers were Professor Gbegnonvi and Dr Azilinon of the University of Abomey-Calavi in Benin, Daniel Durand and Liliane Metz-Krencker on the part of the Registry.

"It was in the 16th century that West Africa entered into "mundialization". Through different situations the west African populations left a traditional patrimonial state to reach what Professor Gbegnonvi called a state of confusion and hypocrisy, because the African people living in America or in Africa, living in colonization time or during "mundialization" time, remain prisoners of the profit making systems.

Faced with this situation, Mike Azilinon, Doctor of Political Science rushed into very deep explanations on the meaning of democracy but also on the abilities of the African mentalities to accumulate knowledge and experiences.

In Africa, one does not renounce his/her philosophy and its beliefs in order to adopt new ones but assimilate them one to the other around the pillar of tolerance and it is in that way that democracy appears more as a way of life than of government and that secular state is not detached from the religions as in Europe but open to all of them, that the state did not freeze on leftist, rightist or alternative ideology but stays open to all the modern schools of thought. In this perspective, the world democracy is only a normal extension of thought and not a new stage to go through of which the mighty are so much afraid.

From these debates, centered around these themes but also from those that are traditional to the world citizens: world citizenship and insufficiency of international institutions will come out resolutions, meeting plans, the creation of a network of African world citizens and the prospect of a second seminar which would take place in Accra (Ghana)

Melbourne, February 4, 2007

Global round table for Australian leaders for the creation of a peace department in the federal Australian government

At the end of 2006, the Center for change in the third millennium declared that it would support an open forum and on going dialogue on key issues affecting the future of human kind. See the website : www.centerforchange.org.

The Center's goals presided by its founder Dr. Michael Ellis is to push communities and international companies to take responsibilities, for the need of health care, education and social integration that would contribute to peace and sustainable development. They, then called upon, famous Australians, all supporting different organizations that try to restore peace in the world and resolve conflicts using peaceful means.

This round table was organized in Melbourne on February 4th. Dr. Liliane Metz Krencker who was at that time in Australia was invited to attend the meeting representing the World Citizen Registry. Professor Chris Hammer, President of the Australian World Citizens Registration Center in Sydney was also present as well as our correspondent in Perth, Mr. Lyndon Storey and in Melbourne, Dr. Michael Ellis himself.

This meeting was organized at Senator Ms Lyn Allison’s invitation in her office at the Australian democratic party head office. She represents the democratic party at the Australian federal government and accepted to participate to our round table and also if decided during the meeting, to present a motion to the Australian federal government.

The team present was lead by Dr. Ellis linked by phone to Ms Stella Cornelius, President of the Conflict Resolution Network, who already in the eighties had undertaken this task. A book " An Australian campaign for a ministry for peace" was written and published in 1984 by Mr Keith Suter. Keith Suter is a delegate to the People's Congress since 1987 (eighth elections).

During this meeting several decisions were taken:

7 To present a bill to the federal government A bill for the creation of a ministry for peace has been presented to the Australian government in March 2007 by Senator Ms Lyn Allison
7 To create a new association. It exist now and is called "Global Citizens for Peace"
7 To create a new site : www.globalcitizensforpeace.com

The follow up will be organized by Dr. Michael Ellis. Annual meetings have been programmed.
Registration Legal services

During its plenary session, on March 4, 2006, the Peoples Congress decided the creation of a Registration Legal Service. This service is intended for communities and organisations who specifically want to be registered outside the national legal systems in place using the democratic legitimacy that the Peoples Congress can give them. Because the Peoples Congress has been established by trans national democratic world elections. The creation of this registration legal service will be the basis of emerging world civil rights. The initial current period is open to organisation of the Civil Society to register trans national by-laws, interior regulations board members list, conventions, service contracts and all other legal civil life contracts. Are excluded all the documents requiring the appeal to national legislation like real estate property, brand property and people private life contracts. Every registration to the legal services is bind to the Peoples Congress moral authority and the organisation will have to accept the PC’s or any organisation designated by the PC arbitration.

Registrations can be made in 4 languages: French, English, Esperanto and Spanish.

There are 4 sections in this service:

1. The by-laws and the constitutional texts:
Three organisations have already deposited their by-laws: - ASCOP (Peoples Congress Consultative Assembly), World Community against Hunger, World Citizen Registration Centre in Bamako (Mali)

2. The contracts and other multilateral deeds:
To this day 4 contracts between World Community against Hunger and production groups from Ngnope-Dighmane and Doigt-Vert in Togo, Gnoumalon in Burkina Faso and ECOFAM in Congo—Kinshasa

3. The charters, declarations and unilateral agreements
To this day: the "mundialization" charter of the community of Kashusha and the Kashusha convention on Human rights.

4. Peoples Congress petitions:
To this day a request made by a group of Corrèze (France) in favour of the organisation of legal international by-laws for political and economical refugees and the recommendation made by the participants to the Mundialist studies seminar in Bohicon in October 2006 for the institutionalising of world citizenship and that the Peoples Congress starts the promotion of world democracy

Magdeburg March 18, 2007

For the third consecutive year the World Citizen Association of Saxe-Anhalt (Germany) has celebrated the spring equinox as World Citizen Day.

Last year, during the People's Congress meeting it was suggested to choose this day for the launching of the Peoples Congress elections. This proposal was accepted by the Magdeburg Association. That is why the two celebrations took place the same day.

There were numerous officials addresses interspersed with dances, music and songs.

The day was organised under the patronage of the province of Saxe-Anhalt, president, Mr. M. Steinecke and among the numerous guests we noticed the presence of Dauji Gupta former mayor of Lucknow (India), François Hounsounou, director of AWC-Esperanto for Africa, Lisinka Ulatowska, UN representative for AWC, Daniel Durand president of the World Citizen Registry and Liliane Metz Krencker, secretary general, Henry Cainaud, Vice president of the Peoples Congress.

In the afternoon the participants split into 4 workshops and then, after a plenary session and an exchange of gifts the day ended in front of the government house to listen to a bell concert. Bravo to Inge Grzyb and Gerhard Hirschmann and their friends from Magdeburg for the organization of that day.

Besides the launching of the People's Congress elections, a petition was presented in name of the ASCOP, requesting that during the People's Congress next meeting, the equinox day in March (spring in the northern hemisphere) becomes "World Citizen and World Unity day"
OUAGADOUGOU (Burkina Faso)

On October 21, 2006, the Ouagadougou Registration Center has held its general assembly meeting. A new office was created composed of:

Celestin BITIBALY, Director
Sandra Drabo, Treasurer
Jean-Pierre OUYA, Secretary-General
Nour Ahmade GUENDA, in charge of training

Thophile MBOKOP, in charge of international relations

In 2006, the Center has registered 10 new world Citizens.

BOHICON (Benin)

Under the management of LOVESSE Patrice, the CBDIBA has organized with success the first Mundialist Studies Seminar held in Africa. Then at the end of October, a team of world citizens has started the World Citizens Center in Benin , (CEBECIM) in French.

Patrice LOVESSE, President
Marc Deguenon, Secretary
Janvier Tossou, Treasurer

CEBECIM has been approved by the Registry on the 16 January 2007.

During the year 2006, Patrice Lovesse and his team have registered 83 world citizens.

MBANZA NGUNGU (D.R. Congo)

Elvis Tekadiomona has registered 26 world citizens in 2006 and with the help of a small team, he foresees to transfer his work as correspondent to a Registration Center.

KINSHASA (D.R. Congo)

The Registration Center in Kinshasa has registered one new world citizen in 2006.

BEJAIA, (Algeria)

In Rabah Bendali's country there has been intensive activity, thanks to the 95 provisional registration certificates that he has delivered as well as 73 identity cards.

Unfortunately several complaints have reached the Registry. The so called world citizen activities that he was carrying out were in reality devoted to other aims and interests. The Registry board decided on March 25, 2006 to put an end to his work as correspondent.

ACCRRA (Ghana)

Our Correspondent Karl KPODO was able to participate in the Mundialist Studies Seminar at Bohicon. At present, his efforts are directed towards the creation of the African World Citizens Network, and of the Registration Center in Ghana with the help of Margaret ARCHEAMPONG and Evans-Fritz ABROAMPA.

Karl Kpodo is a candidate to the next Peoples Congress elections.

www.recim.org
The registration center of French speaking Switzerland has registered two new world citizens in 2006. The center’s leaders wish to get some help

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MAGDEBOURG (Germany)

For about three years, Inge Grzyb received help from the very dynamic Gerhard Hirshmann. The names of more than 50 world citizens have been written on the world electoral list.

In 2006, Gerhard and his team have organized a world citizen festival on the day of the spring equinox

7 Inge GRZYB, Fröbelstrasse 6 39110 MAGDEBOURG

ILLESCAS (Spain)

Fernando Elena Diaz has become officially the Registry Correspondent in March 2006. During the year, he has succeeded in registering 29 new world citizens. Since the end of 2006 he has set up a Registration center called “Red del Ciudadanos del Mundo” with the participation of Angel Lopez de Torre Diazet and de Ana Saldana Fernandez,. An internet site has been created.

7 http://www.recim.es

PARIS (France)

The world citizens French Registration Center has pursued its activity from May 2006 to April 2007 with the help of Etienne Nambet who was employed through a state sponsored contract.

The year 2006 has been basically marked by the gala that the center has organized to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Appeal of the 13. The meeting took place on May 29 for almost three hours. A brief but magnificent introduction was made by Roger Winterhalter on the meaning of this appeal for our world of to day that is in search of new directions. The association “Diagonal de Tchernobyl” addressed also the participants. Then in front of a very crowded theater hall, 4 famous performers, very committed have given their support to this commemorative celebration for the promotion of world citizenship ideas. SERGE UTGE ROYO, Nathalie SOLENCE, YVAN DAUTIN and ANNICK ROUX

In 2006, the French center has registered 194 cards to new world citizens.

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TIMISOARA (Romania)

Dorin Hehn has set up an information center in the center of town in Timisoara. In 2006, he made several conferences on world citizenship, the Peoples Congress and the ASCOP, notably on the 27th march during the day of Romania – Moldavia friendship and on the 24th of June, on Radio Timisoara with the President of the European Movement. He has published advertisements in the local Press of four big towns. He foresees working in 2007 in collaboration with the “Association for the Protection of Earth” and on his personal project, “Men and Places of the World”. Dorin Hehn will be attending the Peoples Congress meeting on November 3 to 4. 2007

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SYDNEY (Australia)

The activity of Christopher Hamer in 2006 has mostly consisted of strengthening the World Citizens Association. The meeting in Melbourne has been an important moment during these passing weeks. (See meeting in Melbourne)

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INTERNATIONAL ESPERANTIST CENTER

the International Esperantist center the international Esperantist Center activity was basically geared towards the participation in the Esperanto Universal Congress in Florence (Italy)

2210 people from 62 countries came to the meeting. Daniel Durand with Genevieve Charpentier held a stand on the day of the association’s forum and gave a lecture in front of about sixty people. The hope of finding new Correspondents for the Registry in the represented countries did not materialize.

7 Geneviève CHARPENTIER, 32 C rue Jean Perrin FR. 77190 DANMARIE

Message from René Wadlow

Dear Friends,

As the Association of World Citizens representative to the UN, Geneva, I would like to send my best wishes for the April meeting and to share with you briefly my analysis of priorities.

The prime challenge we face is what I call “The Arc ofInstability” the tensions and conflicts which spread from Afghanistan-Pakistan-Iran-Iraq-Israel-Palestine-Lebanon-Syria-Egypt-Sudan. At the two ends of the Arc, instability spreads out: from Afghanistan into the Central Asian republics of the former USSR and from Sudan to Chad and the Central African Republic.

A second, less violent but potentially dangerous challenge, is the rise of narrow nationalism in Russia, Central Europe and the states of former Yugoslavia. There are numerous signs of potential conflict - the issue of the status of Kosovo is in front of the UN these days.

We need to see what role world citizens can play in response to these challenges. Organizationally we have few resources. From my efforts to mobilize world citizens to support initiatives at the UN, I have the impression of three circles of states:

1) A small number of states where there is an organized world citizens movement: Canada and the USA in North America, France, Switzerland, Germany in Europe, India and Taiwan in Asia, with a good number of contacts in Africa but it is difficult to judge from a distance how solid are the structures there.

2) There is a second circle of countries where there was once an active world federalist/world citizen movement but where I receive little response: the Nordic countries, Netherlands, UK, Italy (though the movement for a federal Europe is strong there and they are associated with the World Federalist Movement)

Japan (where there had been 200,000 people who joined Planetary Citizens in the mid-1970s but where no structure seems to have survived).

3) The third circle is made up of countries where there was never a real world federalist or world citizen movement: Latin America, the Arab-Islamic world, China and South-east Asia, Russia and Central Europe.

We need to see how best to use the resources we have to make an impact on the world political situation through the UN. We also need to see how to use UN activities to expand our membership base.

I will be interested in reading the report of your meeting. With best wishes,

Rene Wadlow

Press Review

We would have liked to publish in this newsletter RECIM-world as we have done in No.1, a press review of the newsletters published by different registration centers.

An appeal is launched for help to print the next number!

www.recim.org

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The conference purpose was to establish a dialogue between the different levels of governance and the civil society. It was part of a world campaign to reform in depth the International Institutions programmed between 2006 and 2009. They are 4 main objectives of this campaign:

1. Start in depth reforms of the International Institutions
2. Involve in this procedure as many people on the world scene as we can: International Institutions, different levels of governance and Civil Society at large
3. Continue to write all the civil society proposals on the conception and methodology of the reforms
4. Contribute to the construction of a social movement and the support of international politics able to start the reforms.

A manifesto has been approved by the different personalities and organizations that support the campaign as well as the following line of action:

- Raise world public opinion
- Organize activities supported by the world public opinion
- Create committees and focus points for the campaign promotion
- Organize all kinds of demonstrations, meetings and consultations, debates and activities to present and extend the campaign
- Get all the conclusions together and present them to the United Nations General Assembly in order that a world conference for in depth reforms of the UN be organized.

To support this campaign, please read and sign the Manifesto and send it to other "mundialist" organizations:
- www.reformcampaign.net
- info@reformcampaign.net

Liliane Metz-Krencker

7th International Conference of Chief Justices of the World and Global Civil Society NGO's Symposium
(7-12 December 2006) organized by the World Unity & Peace Education Department (WUPED)
City Montessori School (CMS), Lucknow, India

The World Judiciary Summit 2006 was an historic moment and an important turning point in the history of the City Montessori School and its action. Many ministers of Justice were present as well as the presidents of the supreme court of 19 countries and their representatives from 18 others.

The judges present accepted to write an important resolution during a round table where they sat with representatives of the civil society grouped in an organization WMGD (World Movement for Global Democracy). This resolution can be found in several languages on the site: http://www.recim.org/dem/wmgd2006.htm

It was asked to all the participating Judges to disseminate the message to all judicial associations whether domestic, regional or international of which they were members. The resolution also called upon all Judges to keep the best interests of children in mind whenever delivering a judgment in their court.

Thus the participating Chief Justices decided to notify the Commonwealth Association of Judges, the International Association of Women Judges and the African Association of Judges amongst others. The resolution was drafted by the finest brains from 7 countries assisted by worthy representatives of 3 other countries that also contributed to the process significantly. This happened in Lucknow under the high patronage of Judge C.G. Weeramantry, formerly vice president of the international court of the Haag.

To get the full report of the conference of Chief Justices of the supreme courts, it can be found in English by asking Shishir at the CMS: shishir@cmseducation.org

As usual at the same time took place the Civil Society NGO's Global Symposium.

The general theme of the 2006 meeting was "Towards a new world civilization".

Six main themes were developed using presentations, conferences and workshops organized by important speakers representing a great number of world organizations:

Theme 1: Structure of world democracy; Theme 2: Education grass root movement and role of civil society in building a new world civilization; Theme 3: Nuclear disarmament, sustainable development and world peace; Theme 4: Interfaith, inter religion dialogue and conflict resolution; Theme 5: Human rights (including women and children's rights); Theme 6: The role of the media in shaping a new world civilization.

On the last day, Monday December 11, an extraordinary session took place organized for the representatives of the 2 groups, the judges and the Civil Society NGOs as well as many CMS students. Three people were invited to lit the light of celebration in the great hall in presence of Dr.Barthi Gandhi, President and
On July 25, 2006, 12 localities and villages chiefs of the Kashusha's community met to get explanations from our friend Aimé Ruzuba about the meaning of community “mundialization”.

Unanimously, they voted for the “mundialization charter and a convention on Human Rights In a region profoundly marked by 10 years of insecurity, this event has an important signification, demonstrating that even in the most remote places, world democracy is understood as the best response to the disorder and confusion of personal interests in the “mundialization” process.

It is on April 11, 2007 that the official launching of the activities of the Kashusha Municipality took place and that the symbolic stone of the city was placed at the request of the local population.

Regarding the project we are continuing the building of a space for the World Heritage City of Kashusha and at the same time a micro electricity plant that we hope to unveil in the near future when it starts to produce.

Even with very limited finances we are still going ahead with the different projects

So we started a few weeks ago the plantation of ornamental trees along the roads according to the local town planning. We are convinced that, thanks to your engagement in the “mundialist” activities development you will provide us some help that will benefit to all the population and to all the world citizens in general

We all together have to contribute to the construction of a better world

BISIMVA Aimé RUZUBA, World Citizen
Mundialization Committee of Kashusha (Sud-Kivu, RDCongo, SMAE, BP470 CYANGUGU, Rwanda

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founder of the CMS, Judge C.G. Weeramantry, former vice president of the international court of justice, Mr Robert Wheeler President of the WMGD and Dr Liliane Metz Krencker Secretary General of the World Citizen Registry.

It is then in this atmosphere that in front of 400 participants and students of the City Montessori school that the “mundialization” charter was given to Dr Barhi Gandhi by the representative of the World Citizen Registry and that the “mundialization” of the CMS was made official.

Later, Mr R.C. Gupta, the CMS Secretary General, former Joint Secretary of Law, Govt. of U.P., read out the Lucknow Declaration dated Monday 11th December, 2006:

"In order to safeguard the future of world’s two billion children, the participants of the 7th International Conference of Chief of Justices of the world on article 51© of the Constitution of India and the Global Symposium: ‘Towards a new world civilization’ for civil society organizations held on December 8, 9, 10 and 11, 2006 in Lucknow (India) supported the call of over 31,000 students of City Montessori School, Lucknow, India, raised on behalf of two billions children and generations yet unborn, for strengthening the UNO and make it a more effective instrument for checking death, destruction and degeneration and making this world more peaceful and prosperous and for getting an Enforceable International Law enacted by a duly constituted world body, capable of protecting humanity from nuclear and eco-threats and international terrorism and safeguarding children’s right to inherit a safe future and healthy ecology.”

All the people present in the hall approved unanimously and positively this declaration.

At the end Mr. Jagdish Gandhi, President and founder of the City Montessori School presented his thanks and congratulations to the assembly and Dr Sunita Gandhi summarized this memorable day.
During my activities of world citizen and animator of trans national projects, lately the road took me to Gambia in a village called Boulock, across the border of Casamance (Senegal) counting 760 inhabitants.

We were a small group: Brigitte my wife and close partner, Ousmane, Senegalese trainee at the University of Haute Alsace, Landing, World Citizen from Dakar, Amadou, president of the students World Citizens in Dakar and Irène a friend from Savoie.

We arrived in this small village after a 13 hours ride in a minibus, on a very difficult dirt road with an outside temperature of 45 degrees. People live in poverty in small houses more or less dilapidated and they welcomed us with open arms. They seemed to know us and called us by our first names.

In fact our world citizen friends from Dakar in touch with this village inhabitants had prepared our venue that is why during 2 days in a big court yard shaded by tall trees we talked, exchanged, discussed. We saw the village chief, the imam, the deputy, women, men and children. They were continuously 100 to 150 people around us.

Debates took place about: world citizenship, peace, disarmament, North-South relations, local development, welcome of the others and foreigners.

They declared themselves spontaneously and officially "world citizen village". For them this "mundialization" was an important symbolic act, engaging them to work for peace and fraternity between the people. The signing of the "mundialization" charter making this decision official was beautiful and moving.

Together we have understood what trans national solidarity means, solidarity that teaches you how to give and also how to receive (the donation and the donation back) a solidarity that allows everybody without distinction of race, possession, respected according to what he is and not to what he has. This world we live in belongs to everybody and to each of us.

It is in this spirit that the women presented their activities, their GIE (Groupement d’Intérêt Economique).

Economical interests groups concerning specially the production and harvest of agricultural products. With them we discussed about aid and especially of another way of development based on exchange of services and products rather than base on speculation. The deputy present reminded us that poverty in Africa that the white divided, keeps growing. The journalist from the Gambian Radio Television asked us to support the women's projects.

On top of this we found out soon that not only inhabitants from Boulock were present but also women and men from KOURAME, a nearby village in Casamance that people had fled because of constant harassment by gangs and war chiefs. There were 800 people refugees in this village of 760 inhabitants!!!

We did not ask them for their green card. They were there smiling (gift that have all the Africans) and they had in common that they were all poor. The Kourame village chief was there with them and took part in the "mundialization of Boulock with the village chief. It was fantastic and profoundly human, brotherly, nearly incredible. And nobody talked about national preferences, immigration, merits nor about national hymn and the Gambian and Senegalese flags. We were there together in this big court yard, sticking to each other instead of fighting. As the president of the people's Congress, I took this opportunity to tell them that they just won the world record for the welcome of foreigners.

"Oh! how strange" will you tell me... they might be drug addicts. Our delegation discovered that they are addicted to Fraternity.

Hello to you,
Salu binander (in alsacian)

Roger Winterhalter
5th April 2007

Benin:
In October 2006, the maires of the AGBANGNIZOUN (Zou region) and Kpomassé (Atlantic region) communities have announced that their communities will declare themselves "mundialized". We are waiting for the confirmation of this announcement.

An idea for a world citizen monument:
A model has been conceived and realised by Henri Cainaud and offered to the Magdeburg World Citizens in Germany.
UNESCO Prize for Peace Education 2006

The UNESCO prize for peace education was given to Judge Christopher G. Weeramantry, former vice president of the international Court of justice on September 21, 2006.

His candidacy was supported by the CMS (City Montessori School) in Lucknow that had received this prize in 2002.

Judge Christopher Weeramantry is native from Sri Lanka and attended secondary school in Colombo.

He then studied Law at the London University, Colombo University and later at Monash University in Melbourne, Australia and finally at the national Law School in India.

He was the judge of the Supreme Court in Sri Lanka for several years and later Judge and Vice president at the International Court of Justice in The Haag.

He was nominated because of his philosophical orientation to peace culture that he promoted all his life organizing numerous conferences and writing many books and articles especially concerning:

1. The resolution of inter religious conflicts
2. The spreading of international laws knowledge
3. The progressive acceptance of international law
4. The decrease of nuclear weapons
5. The increase of the third world issues comprehension
6. The decrease of all sorts of discriminations
7. The decrease of the scientific and technological power in regards of human rights
8. Peace education in schools

International Liaison Council for an World Environment Authority

CILAME

Invited by the French Presidency, the CILAME has taken part in the International conference “Citizens of the Earth”, held in Paris, on February 2 and 3 about the creation of an United Nations Organization for the Environment. The initial text aimed at the “reinforcement of environmental world Governance”.

The CILAME has reported that the final text of this conference supported “the nations'efforts which are mobilized, in a spirit of shared sovereignty, to reinforce the international governorship of the environment”.

The CILAME denounces the insufficiency of this engagement and reaffirms that the environmental protection requires more than one goodwill shared among the nations, it needs a real world authority.

Judge Christopher Weeramantry with Liliane Metz-Krencker

Judge Weeramantry has started several activities for peace promotion in international organizations through civil society and in schools.

This trans cultural education calls for:

- Racial harmony in Sri Lanka
- An international approach of all the countries laws
- A universal approach to international laws

Since the beginning of the century he has devoted his activities in favor of the environment and through his writings he has devoted himself:

- To the promotion of sustainable development and justice concepts; he published in 2005 an environmental program for the United Nations that he called "paperback book on environmental laws"
- To the introduction of peace education, especially in schools

Judge Weeramantry has always asked that "that swords be replaced by ploughs"

Liliane Metz-Krencker

Small Advertisements

AVOLAR (member of ASCOP)
The Association of Volunteers for Rural Self Promotion, AVOLAR informs the mundialists that for its project of assistance and framing of the vulnerable children of Mbanza-Ngungu (Democratic Republic of Congo), it requests the specific assistances in favour of these children.

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WORLD CITIZENS OF BAMAKO

The Registration Center of Bamako (Mali), wishes to install a service of elimination of illiteracy and an artisanal activity with the profit of a group of women. For this initiative would be necessary approximately 1000 euros. More information in the secretariat of the Center:

secret.informali@yahoo.fr

The Health Center of the mundialist community of Kalonge (Sud Kivu, Democratic Republic of Congo) would like to establish relations with Nurses Services of Europe

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ELECTIONS FOR THE PEOPLES CONGRESS

The year 2007 is the year of the partial replacement of the Peoples Congress. These elections are announced since the Plenary Session of the Peoples Congress. According to the Peoples Congress Regulation, the Control commission of the Elections, has been regularly formed and has met twice. Everything has developed as programmed, except the deadline of deposit of the candidates’ files, which has been largely exceeded.

The Peoples Congress is renewable per third every three years mandate. Each delegate is elected for a nine years mandate.

The voters are divided into three colleges, like it was explained in RECIM Info N° 4 (page 1)

20 Candidates
The list of the candidates is here, opposite side. 20 candidates from 11 different countries.

Each name is preceded by a letter given according to the date of reception of the candidates’ file. This letter is beside the name on the voting paper. It is intended to simplify the operation of counting.

The electoral documents
Beginning of May will be devoted to preparation of the documents, namely:
1. A 12 pages booklet explaining about the importance of the vote and about the procedures, then for each candidate a half page presentation and presentation and objectives, and a photograph.
2. A voting bulletin format A5 unique for all the languages, looking approximately like this model in the right.
3. An anonymous envelop (election) small format
4. An envelope “Reply-Paid” ordinary postal format, for the return of the envelope elections. (free for the shipper). The number of the voter or the number of the world citizen card, will be written on this envelop.

Further information will be available on Internet at the address: www.recim.org/A2007/

Calendar:
Taking into account the time necessary for translations, printing and sending, we hope to send the documents beginning of June.

Handling of the ballot papers:
The envelopes of post answer will be stored not open by the Audit Commission until September 21, 2007, closing date for the elections.

On September 22, the counting of the votes will take place in Paris.

For these operations, the presence of approximately 40 people forming 12 or 13 counting tables will be necessary (3 persons per table)

   s Control of voters numbers
   s Opening of the T envelope and mixing of the Elections envelops.
   s Opening of the Elections Envelops
   s Loud announcement of the names and counting of the total of the voices

Cost of the Elections
At the present time, the exact number of voters is not known already. Basing on the cost on the printing works and the postal expenses, each vote will cost approximately 1,80 €, that is to say probably a total cost higher than 10.000 €. Any contribution is welcomed. (see below)

AGENDA OF ACTIVITIES

May 2007- Edition of the electoral documents and sending (in June)
August 28 to 31st, 2007: Mundialism Summer University in Eben Emael (Liege) Belgium
Septembre 22, 2007: Counting of the votes in Paris
November 3 to 4, 2007: Peoples Congress Plenary Session (old and new delegates) in Paris
March 20, 2008: World Unity day.

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