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V FESTIVAL MONDIAL DE LA JEUNESSE ET DES ETUDIANTS POUR LA PAIX ET L'AMITIE
V WORLD FESTIVAL OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS FOR PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP
V ВСЕМИРНЫЙ ФЕСТИВАЛЬ МОЛОДЕЖИ И СТУДЕНТОВ ЗА МИР И ДРУЖБУ
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V FESTIVAL MUNDIAL DE LA JUVENTUD Y DE LOS ESTUDIANTES POR LA PAZ Y LA AMISTAD
V ŚWIATOWY FESTIWAL MŁODZIEŻY I STUDENTÓW O POKÓJ I PRZYJAŹN

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Dear friends,

We have much pleasure in sending you herewith an outline of the main events which will take place on each of the fifteen days of the Festival together with a description of our plans for the major ceremonies and events.

Here you will find our ideas and suggestions for the events in support of Peaceful Co-existence and against the threat of Atomic War, the celebrations in honour of the World Federation of Democratic Youth, the events in support of the Rights of Youth, the celebrations in honour of the Youth of Poland, of Colonial Youth, of Students, Girls, and Young Sportsmen.

The success of the Festival will depend in large measure upon the extent of the preparations for the Festival in the various countries.

We are therefore anxious to hear from you what events are being organised in your country in connection with the themes listed above, what steps are being taken to win support for the ideas of the Festival and to win young people to go to the Festival, and in what way your delegation will participate in the main events at the Festival.

This information can be of great assistance to the International Preparatory Committee in successfully organising these events. We would also be glad to have your comments and suggestions on the enclosed programme. If there are any points on which you wish to have more information, please let us know.

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Finally, may we suggest that in preparing your participation in certain events it might be useful for you to get in touch with Festival Committees in other countries. We would be pleased to help you in this matter.

It will be of considerable help to us if you could let us have your reply as soon as possible.

In closing, please accept our very best wishes,

Yours sincerely,

For the International
Preparatory Committee

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Enclosure

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PRINCIPAL EVENTS

The following are the principal events which will take place during the Festival and below we are giving some information on the most important ones.

- 31 July - The opening of the Festival
- 1 August - Opening of the cultural competitions
 - Opening of the exhibitions
 - Opening of the 2nd Sports Meeting
- 2 August - Awarding prizes for the pre-Festival competitions
 - Gala opening of the Film Festival
- 3 August - Beginning of the events connected with Rights of Youth
- 4 August - Celebration in honour of the W.F.D.Y.
- 5 August - Planting trees in an avenue of World Youth Friendship
 - Special evening of Mass Games and Dances
- 6 August - Celebration for Peaceful Co-existence, the relaxation of international tension, and against the menace of an atomic war.
- 7 August - Celebration in honour of the Polish Youth
- 8 August - Celebration for students
- 9 August - Celebration dedicated to the fight against colonialism and solidarity with youth of colonial countries
- 10 August - Celebration for girls
- 11 August - Closing of the cultural competitions
 - Laureates' concerts
- 12 August - Celebration for young sportsmen
 - Grand concerts of the laureates
- 13 August - Closing of the 2nd Sports Meeting
 - Grand concerts of the laureates
 - Carnival
- 14 August - Closing of the Festival

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Events connected with the rights of youth

The Vth World Festival for Youth and Students will be a great gathering of youth from different countries and from different walks of life. It will give the opportunity to young people to get acquainted and exchange their experiences. During the meetings of youth of the same specialties, the participants will get to know their conditions of life, their demands and the methods of work of the youth of other countries.

The Vth Festival will help strengthen the activities of youth in their united fight for their rights and for strengthening the cooperation and friendship among the youth of the entire world.

The following are the principal events connected with the rights of youth

- a/ A central celebration dedicated to working youth.
- b/ An international harvest festival. This will be a whole series of stage performances of popular and traditional ceremonies in different countries concerning harvest festivities. Youth groups especially prepared for this purpose by different countries will take part.
- c/ Large international programmes dedicated to the work and the rights of youth. Ensembles and soloists as well as sport groups from different countries will perform their best works on the theme of work and the defence of the rights of youth.
- d/ Meeting of youth of the same profession from different countries.
- e/ Visits and excursions. Visits to establishments, vocational schools, trade union Rest Homes, institutions concerned with the prevention of accidents at work, youth clubs, Homes for Young Workers, vacation camps, etc. In some of the establishments visited, the history of the industry and the transformation of working conditions will be described. At the meeting places there will be exhibitions showing the success of youth in the fight for their rights.
- f/ Meetings of youth with shock-workers, students, young laureates, etc.

Remarks:

Many cultural, sports and different activities will take place during the celebrations of the rights of youth.

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Celebrations in honour of the World Federation
of Democratic Youth

In showing the activities of the W.F.D.Y., the Vth World Festival of Youth and Students emphasises its international character and underlines the fact that it serves the most important interests of youth, that it is always ready to cooperate with all other organisations of different tendencies which are interested in youth problems, culture, sports, etc.

It is with this aim in view that the following events will be organised during the Vth World Youth Festival.

- a/ A great international festivity of friendship during which will take place artistic performances under the slogan of solidarity, fraternity and friendship among the youth. This will take place on the banks of the River Vistula.
 - b/ A great international concert in the presence of representatives of the W.F.D.Y. and representatives of all the delegations. The programme will consist of works on the life and struggle of youth. The concert will be given by ensembles and soloists from different countries.
- Mass distribution of W.F.D.Y. publications will take place in the streets, and the Festival camps.
- c/ Reception for the representatives of the delegations given by the W.F.D.Y.
 - d/ Meetings between the young people from different countries and representatives of the W.F.D.Y.
 - e/ Visits to the exhibitions in honour of the 10th anniversary of the W.F.D.Y.

Celebration for Peaceful Co-existence, the Relaxation
of International tension, and against the danger of
an atomic war

- August 6th -

The Vth World Festival will express the determination and unity of the youth of the whole world in their earnest desire to preserve peace.

The building of friendship among the participants from different countries at the Festival will create better conditions for peaceful co-existence and the relaxation of the international tension.

It is necessary to show the great danger which hangs over humanity as a result of the manufacture of weapons of mass destruction as well as the great possibilities of using atomic energy for peaceful purposes.

In this way we can try to show the power of the youth, who, through Peace and Friendship, can avert the threat of war and assure a happy future to mankind.

In connection with the above, we wish to organize the following events at the Vth Festival.

- Laying of wreaths at places consecrated by the battles of youth fighting against hitlerism.
- A great meeting dedicated to peaceful co-existence, and against atomic weapons /August 6th/.
- Sending of a letter to the Governments of the Five Powers with an appeal signed by the delegates from different countries at the Festival. This will be in the form of a book and will express youth's determination to fight for peace, friendship, and co-operation with other nations.
- Sending to the Japanese youth by particular delegations of letters with greetings, expressing solidarity with the Japanese youth in their fight against using of atomic weapons.
- Meetings of youth with representatives of the World Movement for Peace in order to popularise experiences gained in the fight for Peace.
- Meetings of youth from different continents. For example, meetings of youth from Europe under the slogan of friendship and fraternity. Meetings of youth from Asia and Africa. Meetings of youth from Latin America.
- Meetings with Japanese youth and especially with the youth from Hiroshima and Nagasaki.
- Signing of the Vienna Appeal against the use of the atomic weapons by Festival participants.
- Meetings of youth with scientists working on the peaceful use of atomic energy.
- Meeting with young people who fought in the Resistance Movement and with former prisoners of fascist concentration camps.
- Visits to exhibitions on the use of atomic energy.

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- Visits to historical places as well as to places destroyed by hitlerism /Ghetto and others/
 - Three excursions for Festival participants - representatives of delegations from particular countries - to the museums at the sites of the former Hitler concentration camps at Oswięcim and Majdanek.

On August 6th there will be great cultural performances on the theme: "Friendship among nations"

Celebrations in honour of the Youth of Poland

- August 7th -

The Vth Festival will help bring closer the youth of the entire world to the Polish youth and help strengthen the bonds of friendship among the youth of all countries as well as with the inhabitants of Warsaw, capital of Poland.

During the Festival the part played by the Poles in the fight for freedom and social progress should be emphasised as well as the rebuilding of Poland, its national traditions and its beauty, economic reconstruction, cultural and social improvements, the part played by Poland in the fight against hitlerism and the fight to establish peace.

I. During the Day of Polish Youth - August 7th

- The Polish youth will hold a colourful pageant to illustrate their work and their achievements. About 50 thousand young people will take part in the pageant.
- The Director-General of the Polish Youth League will hold a reception.
- Polish artistic ensembles will give performances.
- There will be concerts of Polish music.
- At some of these events, there will be opportunities for Festival participants to learn Polish dances and songs.

II. Other celebrations on August 7th and during the period of the Festival.

- Meetings of foreign delegations with distinguished Polish personalities /M.P.'s, shock-workers, scientists, and literary men/.

- Meetings of foreign delegations with the Polish youth.
- Meetings of eminent foreigners invited to the Festival with the Polish youth.

Student Events

The Vth World Festival of Youth and Students will contribute to greater mutual understanding among the students of different countries and continents, to strengthening their unity and their determination that scientific discoveries should be used for the good of humanity.

The Festival will at the same time show the important role played by students in the field of using modern scientific achievements for the peaceful development of humanity.

The programmes presented by the students, their common field of action and their common objectives will stress the part played by the International Union of Students as the only international student organisation which in the course of its activities protects the interests of students all over the world.

The Vth World Festival offers many possibilities for exchanging experiences, giving points of view on different scientific and cultural activities, and on the living and studying conditions of students from various countries.

In this spirit during the Vth World Festival of Youth and Students the following events will be organised:

1. Meetings of students from different delegations with representatives of the International Union of Students.
2. Meeting of student journalists on the subject of cooperation between students newspapers. These meetings will be organised at the same time as that between the editorial board of "World Student News" and its readers.
3. Meeting on international cooperation of students on scientific and cultural questions.
4. Gathering to discuss economic problems of students, student grants, academic freedom, and the Charter of Students Rights.
5. Students festivities. Students fancy dress balls.

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6. Reception for student representatives given by the I.U.S.
7. Meetings of youth with prominent personalities of the cultural and artistic world.
8. Visits to scientific laboratories, clinics, libraries, museums, etc.
9. Meetings and seminars between students of the same faculty:
 - a/ Seminar on literature
Humanistic traditions in classical literary works and their influence on contemporary literature.
 - b/ Seminar on cinematography
"An ordinary man in the film"
 - c/ Meetings
Architecture - Contemporary architecture and the problems of housing construction.
Chemistry and Physics - Perspectives and possibilities of using atomic energy in the interests of humanity
Law - The law and preservation of peace and security
Medecine - Medecine in the service of man
Education - Education of youth in the spirit of friendship among peoples.
Music - The works of Chopin
Fine Arts - The methods of work of young artists in the plastic arts.
Physical and Sport training - The development of physical training and sport in high schools.
History - The fight for freedom of nations during the second world war.
Economics - Perspectives for the development of economic relations.
10. Showing of scientific films. Printed explanations of the films/in six languages/ will be distributed before the show.

Events linked with the Fight Against Colonialism
and Solidarity with the Youth of Colonial Countries

The Vth World Youth Festival will strengthen the friendship of young people from all over the world with the youth of colonial countries, expressing solidarity with them in their struggle against colonial oppression.

The Vth Youth Festival will show the colonial youth that they are not isolated in their struggle, and will help strengthen the bonds of friendship between the youth of colonial countries and the youth of countries possessing colonies.

During the Vth Festival, attention will be drawn to the political and economic position of young people in colonial countries, and examples of national oppression, exploitation and racial discrimination will be given to those who are not aware of these questions.

At the same time, the rich cultural traditions and customs of the colonial countries and their contribution to world culture will be shown.

In connection with the above, during the Festival there will be:

- Camp fires with the youth of colonial countries. This will be a colourful display of costumes and ceremonies showing the traditional life in colonial countries. Groups of singers and dancers will take part.
- The sending by the Polish youth /from factories, schools, villages, etc./ of cards expressing solidarity with the Festival delegates from colonial countries.
- Meetings between the delegations from colonial countries and other delegations, and the presentation of souvenirs and gifts to the delegates from colonial countries.
- Meetings, press interviews and radio broadcasts with leaders of the struggle for freedom from colonialism.
- Visits to exhibitions.

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Special Events for Girls

During the Festival we will show the results and the experiences gained by girls and their organisations in the fight for peaceful co-existence of nations and against the danger of atomic war.

The role and the results achieved by young people in the development of the culture, science and art in different countries will also be shown. So will be the results attained in professional, social and political life and the problems interesting young girls, particularly as future wives and mothers /for example, mother and child welfare, etc./

The part played by well-known women in the development of science, culture and art will be explained as well as the results attained by them in their fight for progress and the development of humanity.

In connection with the above, the following events will take place at the Festival:

- Greeting of girls from different delegations. This will take place in the living quarters. Flowers and gifts will be presented to the girls.
- A grand international fashion show with the participation of girls from different countries, at which will be exhibited recent models, worn in their countries. During the fashion show there will be an artistic programme performed by ensembles of the countries participating in the fashion show.
- A show of women's national costumes and dresses from different countries. During the show the participants will explain and illustrate on what occasions these costumes and dresses are worn. This will be done to the accompaniment of music, dancing and singing.
- An international artistic programme presented by girls.
- Dancing in public gardens at which the girls will ask the boys to dance.
- Meetings of girls with prominent artistic and scientific personalities, etc.
- Meetings of girls to exchange their points of view on culture, and sport.
- Meetings of young girls with representatives from different countries to discuss the following subjects:
 - Marriage problems
 - Painless child-birth
 - Education
 - Life of working girls, etc.

- Visiting of historical places connected with the life and work of Marie Curie-Sklodowska and to see the signatures in the book of honour, at the museum in Freta Street. The exchange of souvenirs between girls from different countries.

Events for young sportsmen

The Festival will strengthen the bonds of friendship between sportsmen from all countries and at the same time will show the sporting ability of young people.

Through rivalry in sport young people will be drawn closer together and will make international contacts, which will in turn help the development of friendship between nations.

In connection with the above we must show during the Festival the importance of sport in the development of young people: in the joy of being alive in friendship, strengthening the solidarity of the youth in their fight for peace and friendship and for the right of all young people to take part in sports.

- winning of Festival sport badges
- sports and artistic performances, the latter on stages.
- mass competitions for the Festival sports trophies for all participants with the exception of sportsmen.
- ski jumping
- motorcycle racing
- football match
- meetings of young sportsmen
- meetings of well-known sportsmen with the youth.

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RESOLUTION OF THE WFDY COUNCIL ON THE THIRD
POINT OF THE AGENDA OF THE CONVENING OF THE
FIFTH WORLD FESTIVAL OF YOUTH AND STUDENTS
FOR PEACE AND FRIENDSHIP

The WFDY Council taking into consideration the desires coming from organisations in many different countries, has decided to convene the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students in July August 1955.

The WFDY Council welcomes with gratitude the invitation of the Union of Polish Youth to hold the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students in Warsaw.

The Fifth World Festival should become a new and greater manifestation of the unity of the young generation in defence of peace, and for the strengthening of unity between the peoples.

The Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students should be the greatest international cultural and sporting review of the forces and creative capacities of youth.

The WFDY Council calls on all young people without distinction of political and religious convictions, or social position and regardless of the nation or race to which they may belong, to take a most active part in the preparations for this great traditional Festival and to send their delegates to it.

For a successful preparation of the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students, the Council is in favour of the setting up of a most representative International Preparatory Committee for the Festival comprising the most different types of organisations and well-known people from all walks of life. It is also necessary to set up local, regional and national committees.

The WFDY Council expresses its satisfaction at the desires of the I.U.S. to jointly convene the 5th Festival and calls on all international, national and local youth and student organisations, and on political, trade union, religious, cultural, sport and other groups as well as outstanding personalities in these fields to support the holding of the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace and Friendship and to take an active part in its preparation and in the Festival itself.

The Council working on the basis of the many suggestions presented in the Council session and taking into account the real experience of previous Festivals as well as regional and national events held by young people charges the WFDY Secretariat to draw up a concrete plan of preparations for the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students.

In the preparatory work for the 5th Festival the activities of the member organisations of the WFDY should increase, and

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their influence among young people should spread strengthening the young generation in its struggles for the defence of its rights, for national independence and peace.

The programme of the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students should be varied and rich in content and finer than ever before and should reflect the interests of the various sections and groups of young people.

The Council recommends to the member organisations of the Federation to organise on every scale festivals, meetings, rallies and culture-land sports competitions among youth and students, and to give widespread publicity to the aims and character of the Fifth Festival by all possible means and especially by press and radio.

The Council expresses the certainty that the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students will be a powerful and unforgettable mobilisation for peace and friendship.

Forward to the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace and Friendship!

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