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UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA  
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You are cordially invited to a PUBLIC MEETING under the joint auspices of the JOHANNESBURG UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION and the BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL WOMEN'S CLUB, JOHANNESBURG

at 8 P.M. on TH URSDAY, 15TH AUGUST  
1957

in the

ESCOM HOUSE AUDITORIUM,  
RISSIK STREET, JOHANNESBURG

SUBJECT

AUTOMATION AND THE WORKER

And other matters dealt with at the International Labour Organisation Conference held in Geneva in June, 1957.

SPEAKERS

MR.V.L.HOURELD, Labour and Transport Secretary,  
Federated Chambers of Industries

MR.R.BENNETT, Vice-President of the Trade Union Council.

Both speakers attended the I.L.O.Conference as members of the South African delegation.

Please inform others of this meeting.

23, 5th Avenue,  
Parktown North,  
Johannesburg

(Mrs.) J.K.Robertson,  
Hon. Secretary,  
Johannesburg U.N.A.

Telephone 42.1017

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23, 5th Avenue,  
Parktown North,  
Johannesburg.

To Members and Friends,

From the enclosed Report, you will see what has been done in 1957 to keep the work of the United Nations before the public, by means of addresses at public meetings.

Your Executive has decided to change the method in 1958 from time to time, and to arrange DISCUSSION GROUPS, which will of set purpose be kept small to allow everyone to have a say.

DISCUSSION GROUPS may take different forms, e.g. :-

1. DISCUSSION on the American Look, STRENGTHENING THE UNITED NATIONS. After the Suez and Hungarian crises of 1956, and faced with the danger of nuclear war, the United Nations is placed in a new situation.

What should be done about it ?

2. DISCUSSION : Group's CHOICE OF SUBJECT: e.g. a Nuclear-free Zone in Europe; a United Nations Force; Cessation of Nuclear Bomb Tests; A Hungry World; The Gap between the Industrial and the Under-developed Lands.

Will YOU arrange one such Discussion meeting in your own home? It is hoped to get a Group started in the Rosebank or Melrose district.

3. A "BRAINSTORM" (no questions barred) is arranged for Monday, 12th May, from quarter to 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Room 304, His Majesty's Building, entrance Eloff Street, Johannesburg.

If you are interested in this discussion scheme, and like to talk as well as to listen, please come along.

Yours sincerely

Telephone Numbers:

Mrs. Robertson, 42.1017  
Mrs. Geffen 44.3245  
Miss Horvitch 34.2444 (day)

(Mrs.) Jenny K. Robertson,  
Hon. Sec. Johannesburg UNA  
23, 5th Avenue,  
Parktown North, Johannesburg

To the Hon. Secretary, Johannesburg U.N.A., 23, 5th Ave., Parktown North, JHB

I am interested in the Discussion Scheme, and should like to have notice of a Group Meeting in my area ;

YES NO

I hope to attend the "BRAINSTORM" at 5 - 6 p.m., on 12th May, 1958. YES NO

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

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REPORT FOR 1957

During 1957, the Johannesburg United Nations Association held a series of meetings connected with the work of the United Nations and its Family of Specialised Agencies, and extended in South Africa the celebration of United Nations Day, 24th October.

29 January : REPORT on Conference in Geneva of the World Federation of United Nations Associations: Mrs.J.K.Robertson, UNASA delegate.

10 April : WORLD HEALTH DAY: "FOOD AND HEALTH".

Mr.K.H.Schultz: Nutrition and the Inspection of Foodstuffs.  
Miss E.Ponsonby: Films on Nutrition for Africans.

Information on World Health Day was sent to some 400 schools and churches.

15 May : ATOMIC ENERGY AND SOUTH AFRICA:

Dr.E.J.Marais, Radio-active Isotopes in Research.  
Mr.C.J.Rallis, Atomic Power in Industry.

15 August : AUTOMATION: Reports from the International Labour Organisation Conference, Geneva, June, 1957.

Mr. V.L.Hourelid, Employers' Delegate  
Mr. R.Bennett, Workers' Delegate.

24 October: UNITED NATIONS DAY:

21 October: Opening by Mr.A.Beach, United States Consul-General of EXHIBITION OF POSTERS, arranged by "Reconnaissance" on the work of the United Nations, World Health Organisation, Food and Agriculture Organisation Internationa Labour Organisation, etc.

21 to 24 October, Lunch-hour films and addresses at Exhibition of Posters.

24 October Filmshow with Commentary, arranged by Johannesburg U.N.A.

Material, "In the Common Interest", received from the United Nations, New York, was distributed more widely than before over South Africa. In particular, Photographic Displays, mostly "Citizens of the World", were exhibited in the Universities of the Witwatersrand, Cape Town and Fort Hare, in the Johannesburg College of Education, the Witwatersrand Technical College, and also in Pretoria, Pietermaritzburg and Bloemfontein.

By means of addresses, radio, films and the press, the work of the United Nations for peace was made known.

Mrs.I.Geffen, Hon. Treasurer,  
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Kaptein Street,  
Hillbrow, JHB  
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Tak Johannesburg Branch

31st March, 1959

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A meeting in celebration of WORLD HEALTH DAY will be held  
at 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. on THURSDAY, 9TH APRIL, 1959, in the  
Carlton Hotel, Conference Room, second floor.

Refreshments ; 5 p.m. 2/.

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DR. H. MOROSS,

Member of the Executive Board, World Federation of Mental Health  
has kindly consented to speak on

"SOME ASPECTS OF WORLD MENTAL HEALTH"

5 p.m. Thursday, 9th April

Your Executive is happy to announce that Councillor Mr. d'Arcy Ussher  
has agreed to be President of the Johannesburg United Nations Association.

The Plenary Assembly of the World Federation of United Nations Assoc-  
iations will be held in Geneva, 31st August to 5th September, 1959. If any mem-  
ber is to be in Europe at that time and might attend, please inform the Honorary  
Secretary.

The Annual Report is enclosed.

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Yours faithfully

(Mrs.) J.K. Robertson,

Hon. Secretary, Johannesburg  
United Nations Association

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA  
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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1958

The Johannesburg United Nations Association has three main activities, organising United Nations Day in October over the whole of the Union, holding meetings for its members, and supplying the general public with information about the United Nations.

1. UNITED NATIONS WEEK in October was successfully celebrated in Johannesburg by an EXHIBITION of 99 posters on the United Nations and its Specialised Agencies, held in the Orrco Theatre. On each of four days a lunch-hour film-show was sponsored by a large women's organisation, about 260 people attending. MEETINGS were held in Johannesburg, Pretoria, Bloemfontein and Pietermaritzburg. (See NOTE at foot of page) U.N.

The S.A. Broadcasting Corporation broadcast the Secretary-General's message on 24th October, and a half-hour programme, "A Statement of Account", on 25th October.

2. MEETINGS: (1) Joint Debate with Rand Parliamentary Debating Society: in May, "That South Africa should take an active part in the United Nations".  
(2) June: "Food for a Hungry World", by Dr. F.W. Fox, Medical Research Institute.

(3) August: "United Nations Economic Commission for Africa", by Dr. John Reedman, United Nations Secretariat. A resolution on participation in this Commission was sent to the Hon. Mr. Eric Louw from this meeting.

A series of three talks on W.H.O. by Dr. E.H. Cluver, on F.A.O. by Dr. F.W. Fox, and on the United Nations by Mrs. J.K. Robertson, was arranged for students belonging to NUSAS at the Nursery School Teachers' Training College, by kind invitation of Miss V.K. Webber.

There is now a move to start a U.N. Student Association in Universities.

3. HUMAN RIGHTS: The Tenth Anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights was promoted in various ways, by articles in the magazines of other organisations, an address by the Secretary to the Business and Professional Women's Club, Johannesburg, a "Letter to the Editor", printed in "The Star", 10th December, and literature and posters supplied for a meeting in Cape Town addressed by Prof. P.V. Pistorius.

4. INFORMATION: Frequent requests for information about the United Nations are received by the Secretary. Requests for books are referred to Van Schaik's Bookstore, P.O. Box 724, Pretoria.

5. FILMS: "World Without End" and "To Your Health", on loan from the World Health Organization Regional Office in Brazzaville, have been shown 10 and 12 times this year.

6. W.F.U.N.A. Contact is maintained with the World Federation Headquarters in Geneva. A request from Mrs. Geffen for United Nations research into divorce laws was answered, and a request from Geneva for aid in the case of Abdul Ali, the young Indian stowaway, was referred to Miss Hansi Pollak in Durban, and information obtained was sent to Geneva, thanks being received from the High Commissioner for Refugees Office.

A Committee to revise the constitution of the World Federation of U.N.A.'s is being set up, and the name of Advocate Mrs. Irene Geffen was forwarded as a possible representative of Africa.

NOTE to UNITED NATIONS WEEK: U.N. Day literature was sent to High Schools in the Transvaal and the Cape, to the National Council of Women in S.A., S Rhodesia and S.W. Africa, and to churches all over South Africa. Photographic Display sets were sent to nine Hospitals or Medical Schools, and others to Universities of the Witwatersrand, Cape Town and Natal, and other centres of higher education.

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NOTICE. 1st September, 1960.

The Third Meeting of the Discussion Group will be held at 8 p.m. on Thursday, 22nd September, 1960, in Room 14 1st Floor of Paul Henwood Buildings, 85A President Street (Opposite City Hall).

Miss J. R. Walker, who spent four years with the World Health Organisation in the East, will show coloured slides and give a short talk on the work done in Afghanistan and India.

CELEBRATION OF UNITED NATIONS DAY.

At lunch hour, 1-2 p.m., on Monday, 24th October, 1960, in the new Upper Hall, Criterion Hotel, Corner Rissik and Jeppe Streets, Johannesburg. (Luncheon 7/6d).

(Mrs) J. K. Robertson,  
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23, 5th Ave.,  
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Johannesburg  
1st June, 1960

NOTICE

The second meeting of the Discussion Group will be held at 10 a.m. on FRIDAY, 17TH JUNE, 1960, in the flat of MRS.O.HOHENSTEIN, 15, MOUNT RYDAL, CATHERINE AVENUE, off KAPTELJN STREET, HILLBROW, JOHANNESBURG.

Mrs.Unger, originally from Chile, and member of the staff of the United Nations Radio Section, for broadcasts to Latin America, will speak on

LIFE in CHILE

Please advise Mrs. Hohenstein Telephone 44.9550 (after 9th June) if you intend to be present.

Telephone 42.1017

(Mrs.) J.K.Robertson,  
Honorary Secretary,  
Johannesburg U.N.A.

INFORMATION NOTES

1. The South African Committee for WORLD REFUGEE YEAR proposes holding its "YEAR" from 1st July, 1960 to 30th June, 1961.
2. Mr.Maurice Pate, Chief of UNICEF (United Nations Children's Fund) recently visited South Africa. Many people send UNICEF cards at Christmas in support of the FUND.
3. Mr.DAG HAMMARSKJOLD, Secretary-General of the United Nations, is expected to be in South Africa in July, 1960. The Canadian Secretary of State for External Affairs, Mr. Howard C.Green, addressing the Canadian House of Commons on February 10, 1960, said, "It (the United Nations) is a huge organisation with several thousand employees, and I believe most of them have a United Nations mentality: rather than feeling they are working for their own countries they feel that they are working for the United Nations.

They are being given wonderful leadership by the Secretary-General, Mr.Hammarskjold, who is bringing order out of chaos in an amazing way. When I think of having 82 parties in the House of Commons here, and trying to reach any result, and then see the representatives of 82 nations working together down in New York, I am forced to conclude that somebody, somewhere, has done a great deal of careful planning, and it is really a seven-day wonder the way results are obtained at that organisation."

"External Affairs", Canada, March, 1960.

4. The Deputy Executive Secretary of the ECONOMIC COMMISSION FOR AFRICA of the United Nations, with its Headquarters in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, was approached by your UNA secreatry for information Releases. In his reply, he said of the meeting of the E.C.A. in Tangier, Morocco, February, 1960,

"The delegation from the Union of South Africa played a useful and dignified role in the discussions in Tangier, and we hope this marks the beginning of lasting and effective co-operation."

5. The quarterly "UNITED NATIONS NEWS" subscribed to by many of our UNA members (5/. p.a.), in its April/June 1960 issue, devotes several articles to WORLD REFUGEE YEAR, and also has an article on "Africa's Economic Future" describing the Tangier E.C.A. meeting, in which South Africa is favourably mentioned.

9 FEB 1961

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6 February, 1961

To Members and Friends,

You are cordially invited to attend a lunch-hour meeting  
(Lunch 3/. 30 c ) on Friday, 17th February, 1961, at 12.45 - 2 p.m. at The Rand  
Women's Club, 10th Floor, Anstey's Bld., Joubert Street, Johannesburg.

SPEAKER: Mrs. Gordon E. Konantz, O.B.E., from Canada.

Mrs. Konantz, at present travelling in Africa, "to become  
acquainted with African problems", will be in Johannesburg only four days,  
arriving late on 15th February. Dr. Adrian Pelt, Secretary-General of the World  
Federation of United Nations Associations, sends the following introduction;-

"Mrs. Konantz, member of a Canadian family of long standing, has a great  
interest in social affairs and participates considerably in activities  
for the United Nations. She presently is National Vice-President of  
the Canadian Association for the United Nations, National Chairman of  
the Membership Committee for the Canadian U.N.A., National Vice-Presi-  
dent in Canada of UNICEF, and Manitoba Campaign Chairman for World  
Refugee Year."

As the S.A. National Committee for World Refugee Year is  
holding its "Week" in February, 1961 (5-12), we are asking Mrs. Konantz to in-  
clude a mention of WRY in her talk. May we remind you that the Johannesburg  
U.N.A. is now appealing for donations to WRY ?

Booking is essential. Please post the tear-off slip as  
soon as possible, or ring 42.1017 before Thursday, 16th February.

Yours sincerely,

(Mrs.) J.K. Robertson, Hon. Secy.

Sent 9/2/61

QW not able to attend.



16 JUN 1961

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA  
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WORLD REFUGEE YEAR  
FILM-SHOW

TUESDAY, 20TH JUNE, 1961 : 2 to 4.30 p.m. in the AUDITORIUM, AFRICAN LIFE  
BUILDING, RISSIK STREET, JOHANNESBURG (old ESCOM HOUSE)

PROGRAMME

EXPOSURE: Flight of refugees in different countries, and response to their need.

AS THE NIGHTINGALE WAITS FOR THE SUMMER: 500 Russian Old Believers are helped  
to a new life in Brazil, and contribute to its development.

MISSION TO NO MAN'S LAND : Spotlights conditions in Refugee Camp in Austria.  
Commentary by Yul Brynner.

ADDRESS : Miss L.M.Mackenzie, Secretary, National Council : Child Welfare.

RECEPTION OF DONATIONS : Mr.F.J.van WYK, Chairman, Executive Committee,  
S.A.National Committee for World Refugee Year (W.O. 2335)

RENNIE'S MILL : 30 minutes. Coloured film on destitute refugees in Hong Kong.  
Edinburgh Film Festival Award.

Please do your best to come yourself, to bring friends and to make  
a donation to help this urgent need. If you cannot attend, donations will  
be gratefully received by the Hon. Treasurer, Mr.W.Scarnell Lean,  
58, Loch Avenue, Parktown, Johannesburg.

DISCUSSION GROUP

WEDNESDAY, 26TH JUNE, 1961, at 10 A.M.

In the flat of Mrs. Irene Geffen, 304, Sevenoaks, 3rd Street, Killarney.  
(Turn first to right after entering Killarney from Hyde Circle, then left  
along 3rd Street.)

SUBJECT: The United Nations and the New African Member States.

Mrs.J.K.Robertson will introduce the discussion

Visitors are welcome. Please telephone 41.5241 if you can come.

Yours faithfully,

(Mrs.) J.K.Robertson

Hon. Secretary,  
United Nations Association  
Johannesburg Branch

- 6 SEP 1961

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA  
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PROGRAMME FOR SEPTEMBER 1961

I. EVENING MEETING ON PORTUGAL IN AFRICA

Time: 8 p.m. on Wednesday, 6th September, 1961

Place: No.1, Paul Henwood Building, 85A, President Street, Johannesburg  
(This is the S.A. Pensioners' Association Room, as you leave the lift on the first floor. Paul Henwood Building is at Shimwell's, nearly opposite the Rates Hall of the City Hall, Johannesburg)

Speaker: Dr. E. V. Axelson, Department of Portuguese Studies, University of the Witwatersrand. Dr. Axelson is the discoverer of the Diaz Cross.

Subject: The Portuguese Territories in Africa, Angola and Mozambique.

Visitors are welcome.

DISCUSSION GROUP

Owing to the regretted illness of Miss E. C. Roston, no meeting will be held this month.

2. EVENING MEETING ON WORLD REFUGEE YEAR. (Auspices National Council of Women)

Time: 8 p.m. on Tuesday, 26th September, 1961

Place: Auden House, 68 de Korte Street, Braamfontein, Johannesburg

Speaker: Dr. Victor A. M. Beermann, Representative in Italy of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Subject: The Refugee Problem and Solutions.

Dr. Beermann, born in the Netherlands, has been a Representative of the High Commissioner since 1951, first in Austria, where he saw the influx from Hungary in 1956. Later he served in Greece, then Turkey and now in Italy. On the occasion of WORLD REFUGEE YEAR in South Africa, Dr. Beermann will visit all main centres from 9th September.

This meeting is under the auspices of the National Council of Women, Johannesburg and members of the United Nations Association are cordially invited.

PRELIMINARY NOTICE : UNITED NATIONS DAY.

3. 24TH OCTOBER, 1961, United Nations Day will be celebrated in Johannesburg by a

LUNCHEON MEETING, 12.45 to 2 p.m. (Lunch 7/6)

Place: The Criterion Hotel, 156, Jeppe Street, corner Rissik Street, Johannesburg.

Speaker: Mr. S. J. J. de Swardt, Secretary for Agricultural Economics and Marketing.

Subject: The "Freedom-From-Hunger" Campaign of the Food and Agriculture Organisation

FAO has launched this "Freedom-From-Hunger" Campaign, 1960-1965; and asks all voluntary societies to join in studying the problem and supporting the Campaign. What has this to do with Peace? "A hungry man is an angry man."

Mr. de Swardt has readily consented to be our speaker, having on several occasions represented South Africa at the Conferences of FAO in Rome.

COURTESY COUNTS

Can individuals do anything to reduce the tensions of our land?

Believing in "The dignity and worth of the human person" (Preamble to the United Nations Charter) members of the United Nations Association will be interested in a Courtesy Campaign to run from late in October, after the General Election, till the end of the year.

The aim is "to make individuals aware of the friction which can be caused between persons of different racial, language or credal groups, through failure to realise the dignity of the individual."

You are asked to support this campaign personally and in your societies, using a car sticker, buying a rubber stamp (5/) to use on letters, and informing others. Address: Courtesy Campaign: P.O. Box 88, Orange Grove, Johannesburg

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Yours faithfully,  
(Mrs.) Jenny K. Robertson  
Hon. Secretary, Johannesburg U.N.A.

27 MAR 1962

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1962 CELEBRATION OF WORLD HEALTH DAY : 7TH APRIL

Members and friends of the Johannesburg United Nations Association are invited to attend a

NATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE THEME OF WORLD HEALTH DAY, 1962  
PREVENTION OF BLINDNESS

In the Harveian Theatre, Medical School, Hospital Street, Hospital Hill, Johannesburg

Friday, 6th April, at 8 p.m. : Guest Speaker : Dr. Ida Mann of Australia

Saturday, 7th April: Morning Session 9.30 a.m. Addresses and Discussion

Trachoma Virus and Vaccine ; Dr. J.H.S Gear

Cure of Trachoma and

Film on Trachoma : Dr. J.G. Scott

Tea Interval

Malnutritional Eye Diseases : Dr. C.J. Blumenthal

Prevention of Blindness among  
the Bantu : Mr. Cleverley

Afternoon Session : 2.00 p.m.

Glaucoma : Dr. Ida Mann

Genetics : Prof. P. Tobias

Prevention of Blindness

among Europeans

: Mr. J. van Niekerk

Field Services

: Dr. P.D. Scheffel

Summary of Convention

: Dr. Walter Cohen

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION : JOHANNESBURG BRANCH

A "GET-TOGETHER" MORNING TEA will be held at 10 a.m. on THURSDAY, 12th April, 1962

in the RAND WOMEN'S CLUB, 10th Floor, Anstey's Buildings  
Joubert Street, Johannesburg

SUBJECT : THE UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION

This informal meeting is arranged for those who attended the National Council of Women Conference on 6th March, 1962, on "ONE WORLD OR NONE"? and who wished to know something about the United Nations Association.

Introductory Talk

Questions on what the U.N.A. does

Proposals on what it ought to do.

Literature

Those who are already members of the Johannesburg United Nations Association are invited to attend and to join in the discussion.

TEA 10 cents

Yours faithfully,

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Hon. Secretary, Johannesburg UNA

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Note to those who cannot attend : A leaflet is enclosed, and a copy of "NEW WORLD" will be sent later to the enquirers about the United Nations Association.

11 MAY 1962

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REMINDER  
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LUNCH- HOUR MEETING (GOODWILL DAY) 1962

12.45 to 2 p.m. on FRIDAY, 18TH MAY, 1962. In the Rand Women's Club, 16th Floor  
Anstey's Building, Joubert Str. Johannesburg

SPEAKER: Mr. G. Gordon Lawrie, General Secretary, S.A. Institute of International  
Affairs, Witwatersrand Branch

SUBJECT: SOUTH AFRICA AND THE WORLD

CHAIRMAN Major Louis Kraft, Chairman, Johannesburg United Nations Association

This is an important address by an authority on the subject -  
a student of international affairs, and a former member of the  
South African Consular Service.

Our country looms larger than ever in the preoccupation of  
foreign Chancelleries (as evidenced by the present visit of  
United Nations representatives) and it is thus advisable for  
educated South African citizens to take full advantage of this  
opportunity to get a clear picture of South Africa's relations  
with the world at large - not only now but TOMORROW.

LUNCHEON 35 cents. It is essential to book. Please fill in acceptance slip  
below and return by 16th May, 1962.

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Telephone 42.1017  
(preferably evenings)

Yours faithfully,

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Hon. Secretary, Johannesburg UNA

21 MAY 1963

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA  
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NOTICE OF MEETING

MONDAY, JUNE 3, 1963, at 10.15 a.m. in the RAND WOMEN'S CLUB, 10th Floor,  
Anstey's Building, Joubert Str. Johannesburg

TWO PRACTICAL PROJECTS

FOR THE NEEDS OF

REFUGEES AND CHILDREN

A fresh approach is being made to enable us in South Africa to  
contribute to world-wide relief movements.

BUY A RECORD TO RE-SETTLE REFUGEES (R2.75)

BUY UNICEF GREETING CARDS FOR THE FEEDING AND HEALING OF CHILDREN (R0.75) per box)

PROGRAMME

10.15 a.m. Tea (15 cents)

10.30 CARDS FOR CHILDREN : Speaker from United Nations association

UNICEF Greeting Cards, 1962 for sale: Cards 1963 on order  
75 cents per box of ten cards

11.00 RECORDS FOR REFUGEES: Speaker from the S.A. Refugee Organization

"ALL-STAR FESTIVAL" long-playing record, 12", with twelve of the "top"  
popular singers in the world.

Your sort of music ? Bing Crosby and Louis Armstrong join forces in  
"Lazy River"; "The Everlasting Arms" Doris Day with a big choir.

"ALL-STAR FESTIVAL" will be on sale in South Africa by June 7, 1963,  
and will be sold through normal trade channels at R2.75.

The wholesale distributors are Messrs. Gramophone Record Co. Ltd.  
Att. Mr. Arnold Golemo, P.O. Box 2445, Johannesburg

One or two pieces will be played at our meeting.

11.30 FILM: "Rennie's Mill" Colour. CHILD-REFUGEES in HONG-KONG.

Please make this widely known and bring friends. Kindly fill in the  
tear-off slip, so that we know how many will be present for tea.

Yours faithfully,  
Jenny K. Robertson  
Mrs. J.K. Robertson  
Hon. Secretary  
United Nations Association

UNITED NATIONS ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA

To the Hon. Secretary, Johannesburg U.N.A., 23, 5th Av., Parktown North,  
Johannesburg. (Phone 42.1017)

Acceptance for Morning Meeting, 10.15 a.m. Monday 3rd June, 1963, in the  
Rand Women's Club, 10th Floor, Anstey's Bld., Joubert Street, Johannesburg

I do / do not expect to be present (One cent stamp if not closed)

NAME: (Block letters) . . . . .

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Kindly note that the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of this Association will be held at:

8.00 P.M. on TUESDAY, JUNE 17TH, 1969,

at

415, Rockview Heights, Percy Street, Yeoville,  
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With this Notice I enclose:

1. Agenda
2. Minutes
3. Chairman's Report
4. Subscription Renewal Form, 1969.

To facilitate arrangements, I will be glad if you will be kind enough to advise me whether we may have the pleasure of seeing you at this meeting.

Yours sincerely,

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Hon. Secretary.

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A G E N D A

1. Apologies and Messages.
2. Minutes.
3. Chairman's Report.
4. UNICEF Report.
5. Treasurer's Report - UNA and UNICEF.
6. CASS - A great new ally.
7. Resolutions.
8. Elections.
9. Any other business.

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THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT TO THE 22ND ANNUAL  
GENERAL MEETING.

In the constitution of UNESCO - the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation - appear the words "Wars begin in the minds of men." We fear that this profound statement has been honoured more for its rhetoric than for its simple and pregnant truth. So far as we can see, nothing has been or is being done to reduce the turmoil within all those human minds so very busy adding new wars to old. Here in South Africa and there in the United Nations, such warlike minds are still deciding the course of events. Here, there and everywhere, human life is being swept towards disaster by mental processes they are making no effort to control. As a people and as a species, we remain victims of the wars raging within our own and each other's minds.

By no means as a pure coincidence, the United Nations and its Agencies have no representatives or official spokesmen in this country. In word and in deed, this world organisation has manoeuvred itself into the role of foreigner and enemy of South Africa, with no place on our soil. Our Government has long since lost the missionary zeal and sense of global responsibility which attracted South Africa into becoming a Founder Member. We continue to belong only because it seems more advantageous to South Africa to do so rather than to walk out.

In these circumstances we, the United Nations Association of South Africa, are the only organisation in this country with the emblem of the U.N. at our mast-head. Your Council is the only body here identifying itself with the U.N. and, therefore, claiming to operate in its name. We are, however, a purely voluntary and publicly sponsored body, recognised only because of our membership of WFUNA, the World Federation of United Nations Associations. We have no authority to speak or act, either in the name of South Africa or the United Nations. As a general rule, we are ignored and distrusted by both. In fact, we are an anachronism; a relic of the past seeking to create order between parties hell-bent on increasing disorder.

We are painfully aware that the minds in which wars begin are minds moved by fear and hate. In seeking to improve the state of such minds, we are in grave danger of being feared or hated by most, if not all. Yet as we now see it, this is the only possible way to save our country and our world from the scourge of war. Odd though this may at first sound, this is the role which we now suggest our Association should adopt: to help our fellow-men, including those who see each other as enemies, to tidy up the mess in their minds, so neutralising the source of all wars.

This report is introduced in this manner because your present Council aims, with the consent of this Annual General Meeting, to use it as a new starting point.

We propose to send it to the Secretary General of the United Nations asking for his recognition of this Association,

- as a centre for harmonising the actions of South Africa's competing and conflicting internal groupings; also
- as a centre for harmonising the relationships between this country and the U.N. (See U.N. Charter, Article 1, Paragraph 4.)

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Should this recognition be withheld, we will ask for the appointment of an official representative of the U.N. to South Africa with whom we can co-operate. Only if the Secretary General sees himself and his organisation as an enemy to this country, something which is virtually impossible, do we think that these overtures will be totally rejected. Our confidence in the integrity and high-mindedness of U Thant makes it seem unnecessary at this stage to provide against the highly unlikely possibility of total enmity.

In this regard, we are happy to report that the Secretary General of WFUNA has expressed eagerness to visit this country and exchange views with us. Such an event, unprecedented in the history of this Association, would give us immense impetus and encouragement, perhaps opening the way to a succession of further personal, practical contacts.

We propose to send this report to a broad selection of U.N. Organs and Agencies. In all cases, we will ask for a moratorium on the hatred being expressed against this country. We will ask for an unconditional breathing space in which haters and hated might make efforts to tidy up their respective minds, re-order their thinking and review their current attitudes and policies. We will ask for the opportunity to help wherever we can to convert discord into harmony.

As an act of courtesy as well as policy, we propose to send this report to our Prime Minister and to the leaders of opposition parties, whose co-operation will be essential if our plans are to succeed. Copies will also go to the the South African Ambassadors of foreign countries for transmission to their respective Governments. Aimed at in all directions will be a moratorium on the fears and hates which now threaten to tear our world apart. With a bit of luck, the role sought for this Association might be taken up by others, finally to restore it to the United Nations where it rightfully belongs.

Your approval of this report will be taken as an instruction to your incoming Council to proceed as indicated herein.

H.L. SIMON.  
CHAIRMAN.

June 17th, 1969.

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The "supporter" subscription enables those of limited means to participate in the work of this Association or for those who so wish to signify support without being listed as a Member.

Past and present Members and Supporters are thanked for keeping this Association alive, bringing us finally to a recognition of the role we must play in the service of our country and our world. We look forward to your sharing in the important work now waiting to be done.

Yours sincerely,

K.K. MCGOWAN.  
Hon. Treasurer.

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