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To: International Commissioners

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Youth Involvement at World Level

Dear Colleagues,

You may remember that the World Scout Committee in its Policy Statement as amended and endorsed by the 36th World Scout Conference (Thessaloniki, July 2002), wrote:

“ As far as the participation of young men and women in WOSM bodies at world or regional levels is concerned, the World Scout Committee believes that this will largely be solved when the participation of young people in national bodies is achieved; it will be a natural consequence of effective local and national participation. This, however, can only be accomplished in the long term, since youth involvement is not adequately applied within national associations. The Committee feels that something needs to be done at world level in the immediate future in order to get the process started and convey a strong message to the Movement, which defines itself as being a Movement of young people and not only for young people.”

As a concrete follow-up to the above statement, the World Scout Committee decided to launch a number of actions in order to reach a new level of youth involvement in WOSM institutions. The corresponding information was put on the WOSM website in April 2004 www.scout.org/strat Several publications and other information on youth involvement can be found in the Strategy section of our website. You will find enclosed copy of “Youth Involvement at World level”.

At the dawn of 2005, now that the six Regional Scout Conferences have been held, I would like to inform you of the following achievements, and present situation:

1. Youth Advisors to the World Scout Committee

These are the twelve Youth advisors for the World Scout Committee up to 1st of September 2005.

Region	First name	Name	Country
WSYF Planning Committee	Ms. Tinatin	KOIAVA	Georgia
WSYF Planning Committee	Mr. Jose	MAZUZE	Mozambique
WSYF Planning Committee	Mr. Thomas	METELMANN	Denmark
WSYF Planning Committee	Mr. Abdessalem	MGHIRBI	Tunisia
WSYF Planning Committee	Ms. Paula	ORSINI	Argentina
WSYF Planning Committee	Ms. Hui-Chun	SHU	Scouts of China
Africa	Ms. Florence	ODUUT	Uganda
Arab	Mr. Abdullah	AL NUZAH	Saudi Arabia
Asia-Pacific	Mr. Edward	COOK	New Zealand
Eurasia	Mrs. Nozima	NURMUKHAMEDOVA	Tajikistan
Europe	Mr. Craig	TURPIE	United Kingdom
Inter America	Ms. Lorena	GUGINO	Mexico

At the end of the 9th World Scout Youth Forum (Tunisia, 29th August – 1st September, 2005), six Youth Advisors will be elected for a term of three years. They will be members of the 10th World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee. They will elect from among themselves the Chairman of the Forum.

The six mentioned young leaders coming from the regions are considered Youth Advisors for the three year term following their respective regional Youth Forum (or equivalent).

Each of the twelve Youth Advisors is invited to join one of the workstreams of the World Scout Committee: Youth Involvement, Volunteers, Profile/Communication, Profile/Resources, Profile/Partnerships. In order to properly launch the Youth Advisors action, the twelve persons concerned are invited to attend the forthcoming meeting of the mentioned workstreams which will take place near Rome (Italy) in April 2005.

They will also attend a preparatory meeting of the 9th World Scout Youth Forum Planning Committee to be held prior to the World Scout Committee April session.

2. World Scout Bureau

2.1 Project Officers

Since the 36th World Scout Conference, 16 young leaders, 11 men and 5 women, from 12 countries, spent an average of one year serving WOSM at the World Scout Bureau Central Office, as Project Officers in charge of external relations, world events, youth programme, or audio-visual and image.

First name	Name	Country of origin
Ms Helen	BURGESS	Australia
Ms Hui-Chun	CHU	Scouts of China
Mr. David	GOODALL	United Kingdom
Ms. Nicola	GOODERSON	United Kingdom
Mr. Christian	HUBER	Germany
Mr. Franklin	HSU	Scouts of China
Ms. Shana	McELROY	USA
Mr. Victor	ORTEGA	Mexico
Mr. Mathieu	POURET	France
Mr. Robert	RESCOTT	USA
Ms. Francesca	SCANIO	USA
Mr. Henrik	SÖDERMAN	Finland

At 1st October 2004

Mr. Hany	ABDUL MONEM	Egypt
Mr. Olof	HÅKANSSON	Sweden
Mr. Andrés	MORALES	Costa Rica
Mr. Arturo	ROMBOLI	Argentina

As from 1st October 2004, two Project Officers are employed on a fixed term contract as Project Managers; these two young staff members are:

Ms Nicola GOODERSON, in charge of 2007 Centenary (Department of Partnerships, Events and Global Initiatives)

Mr. Victor ORTEGA, in charge of Design and Audio-visual (Department of General Management)

2.2 United Nations Team of Representatives

Presently, out of the 27 volunteers and WSB staff members of the WOSM UN Team of Representatives, 21 are under the age of 30. These young persons, 15 men and 6 women, 15 volunteers and 6 WSB staff, are based in Geneva, Nairobi, New York, Paris, Rome and Vienna. (See: External Relations and Partnership Reports April and October 2004). In addition to the Project Officers involved (5), the young representatives are:

First name	Name	UN Center
Mr. David	WANSTALL	Geneva
Mr. Axel	MARION	Geneva
Mr. David	MACADAM	Geneva
Mr. Ruben	GARCIA SANTOS	Geneva
Mr. Henrik	SÖDERMAN	Geneva
Ms. Lucia	CHEBET	Nairobi
Mrs. Shana	MOLAND	New York
Ms. KerryAnn	MAGGERTY	New York
Mr. Jonathan	STIMMER	New York
Mr. Anthony	BYRNES-ALVARADO	New York
Mr. Nicolas	COIFFIER	Paris
Ms. Amélie	TEISSERENC	Paris
Mr. Mathieu	POURET	Paris
Mr. Giuseppe	PORCARO	Rome
Mr. Alexander	SÖLLEI	Vienna
Ms. Daniella	DOUEIRY	Beirut

2.3 Other bodies

Several volunteers under the age of 30 are presently involved in the Technical Commission of the new programme *Scouts of the World*, as well as 2007 liaison persons, or WOSM World Events Team members.

3. World Scout Conference

3.1 Candidates to the World Scout Committee

In accordance with Resolution 6/02 item 4, the World Scout Committee strongly invites National Scout Organizations, through circular 01/2005 (January Scoutpak), to "nominate young people of less than 30 years of age at the time of the Conference".

3.2 Delegations

In accordance with the same resolution (item 2), the World Scout Committee also invites NSOs, through the Registration Kit, "to ensure that at least one third of their delegates are under 30 years of age".

I hope that the above information regarding the action taken by the World Scout Committee and the World Scout Bureau will encourage your National Scout Organization to pursue and develop its effort in promoting youth participation in decision-making, thus contributing to implement the top Strategic priority adopted in Thessaloniki: *Youth Involvement – revitalising the Scout method*.

Yours in Scouting,

Eduardo Missoni
Secretary General

Enclosure: *Youth Involvement at world level*