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Ms. Holly R. Bernstein
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World Affairs Council of Orange County
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Re: Request to invite members of the World Affairs Council of Orange County to attend our benefit event at Crystal Cathedral on July 19, 2003.

Dear Ms. Bernstein:

On July 19, 2003 the International Orphan Care (IOC) in conjunction with Child Foundation (CF) is planning a benefit event at the Crystal Cathedral in Garden Grove, Orange County to help the orphans of Afghanistan and homeless children in Iran. As a Trustee of the World Affairs Council of Orange County (WAC) I am very appreciative that the WAC has agreed to be one of the sponsors of this event. We are estimating that 2700 people including many celebrities and elected officials will be attending this event. Please help us by distributing the enclosed event flyer to the members of the WAC.

The Festival of HOPE (Help the Orphans be Productive and Educated) would be between 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. In the Plaza Area of the Cathedral between 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. there will be social event, food, vendors, arts and crafts from Afghanistan and Iran and an architectural model of the campus we plan to build for 1000 orphans in Kabul, Afghanistan. Between 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. we will have music and entertainment in the Cathedral. Famous musicians and singers from Afghanistan and Iran will perform during this period. Between 9:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. we will present the Ambassador of HOPE Award to Former Mayor of Los Angeles, Richard Riordan and provide information about our humanitarian work in Afghanistan and Iran.

After 25 years of war, there are an estimated 1.5 million orphans in Afghanistan, 700,000 who have lost both parents. According to UNICEF, 72 percent of Afghan children have seen someone die and more than half of the children of Afghanistan have seen someone tortured. International Orphan care (IOC) is reaching out to these orphans by providing a family-like environment, education, healthcare and vocational training, so that the pain and suffering endured by these innocents can be replaced with hope and an opportunity to become productive members of their community. On behalf of the Board of Directors of IOC I would like to express my sincere appreciation to the WAC for joining us to help the children of Afghanistan and Iran.

Sincerely,
International Orphan Care

Hasan Nouri, P.E.
Chairman of the Board

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