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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

November 20, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

PHILIP BUCHEN
DUDLEY CHAPMAN

FROM:

JAMES E. CONNOR

SUBJECT:

Honorary Memberships

The President reviewed your memorandum of November 18 and approved the following:

1. To serve as Honorary Patron of the United States Commission for United World Colleges.
2. To serve as Patrons of the 1976 U.N. Concert and Dinner.

Please follow-up with appropriate action.

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

November 18, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: PHILIP BUCHEN *PB*
FROM: DUDLEY CHAPMAN *DC*
SUBJECT: Honorary Memberships

The following honorary memberships are submitted for your consideration:

1. United States Commission for United World Colleges.
The Vice President has transmitted an invitation to you from Lord Mountbatten to serve as Honorary Patron of this Commission (Tab A). Lord Mountbatten is President of the International Council of United World Colleges and Frank Taplin, your former Yale Law School classmate, is Chairman of the Commission. In view of the past participation of at least one President with this organization and its quasi-public status, we recommend your acceptance.

Approve *DC* Disapprove _____

2. 16th Annual U.N. Concert and Dinner (1976). You and Mrs. Ford have again been invited to serve as Patrons of the 1976 U.N. Concert and Dinner (Tab B). You served in this capacity this year and we again recommend your acceptance of this invitation.

Approve *DC* Disapprove _____

TAB
A



BROADLANDS,
ROMSEY,
HAMPSHIRE,
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TELEPHONE
ROMSEY 1/94 513333

9th October 1975

Dear Mr. President,

I am sorry that because of your heavy schedule it will not be possible for you to receive me during my brief visit to Washington. I had wanted to tell you how much we British admire your great courage and the leadership which you are giving.

I had also hoped to tell you briefly about the United World Colleges project of which I am president of the International Council. As such I have visited the Heads of State or Prime Ministers in over 33 countries to tell them personally of this exciting new project in international education for boys and girls from all backgrounds and cultures between the ages of 16 and 18, and to set up National Committees in those countries.

Here in America I helped set up the U.S. Commission, brilliantly chaired by your Yale Law School classmate, Frank Laplin, and they have given us tremendous support by raising scholarships and fellowships to send American boys and girls and teachers to our three Colleges, the UWC of the Atlantic in South Wales, the UWC of South East Asia in Singapore, and the Pearson UWC of the Pacific on Vancouver Island, in sight of the U.S. coastline.

In 1970 I accepted the invitation of President Nixon to attend a dinner he gave at the White House for 100 prominent American citizens to talk about the United World Colleges, at which he kindly accepted to become Honorary Patron of the U.S. Commission. I would therefore like, on behalf of the U.S. Commission, to ask whether you would agree to succeed him in this capacity. Not only would this be a great honour for the Commission and the UWC Project as a whole but would be in line with many other countries where the Head of State has become the Patron of our Project.

The Vice President has kindly undertaken to deliver this letter and can enlarge on what the United World Colleges project is doing.

Finally, as this happens to be the very day on which a new book about the transfer of power in India, "Freedom at Midnight", is being published in the United States, I thought you might care to have the enclosed copy. This is a vibrant and exciting account of that momentous event in 1947, written not by an Englishman or Indian but by an American, Larry Collins, and a Frenchman, Dominique Lapierre, who also wrote "Is Paris Burning?" and "O Jerusalem".

With great respect

Mantolatten of Burma

FRANK E. TAPLIN
ONE PALMER SQUARE
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10th October 1975

Dear Terry

I greatly regret - but of course understand - that your schedule did not permit you to receive Lord Mountbatten today. I especially regret it as I had looked forward to that reunion which is so long overdue, and which I certainly would most warmly welcome.

Please give careful consideration to Lord Mountbatten's request that you become honorary Patron of the U.S. Commission for the United World Colleges during your term of office.

I shall be personally grateful to you for giving us in this way your encouragement in a great international educational project - a project in which the U.S. Commission can and should play a leading role.

Warmest regards.

Sincerely,

Frank

Chairman,
U.S. Commission for
United World Colleges

TAB
B

November 6, 1975

Dear Mr. President and Mrs. Ford:

I am so sorry that neither you nor Mrs. Ford were able to attend the UN Concert and Dinner on October 25th. We were gratified that many of your closest associates came and by all reports had a good time.

Secretary Kissinger spoke well on both occasions. On behalf of the President of the United States he proposed a toast to the United Nations.

I am pleased to enclose another copy of the Souvenir Book which is a complete record of your meetings with heads of state up to September 30, 1975. In compiling these photographs we were fortunate to have the expert assistance of Sandra Eisert from your staff. I have also enclosed the souvenirs presented to each lady and gentleman at the Concert and Dinner for your use and the Peace Medal for your collection.

We are now looking forward to the Salute to Youth produced by the United Nations Association, and planned under the Honorary Chairmanship of Susan Ford. Also we are beginning work on the 16th Annual UN Concert and Dinner which by tradition will be under the patronage of the President and the First Lady.

Thank you for your magnificent support of both these events. We await confirmation that you will uphold the tradition of Presidential Patronage. Later on next year the possibility of your attendance at either of these events can be determined.

With complete gratitude and our best wishes for 1976 in every conceivable way,

Cordially,

As ever,

Gerald C. Wagner
Permanent Representative, UNA/USA

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and Mrs. Ford
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