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10 DOWNING STREET

From the Private Secretary

18 February 1983

The Prime Minister has asked me to thank you for your letter of 10 February and the documents which you enclosed. Mrs. Thatcher has noted your interest in Mrs. Shcharansky's campaign to secure the release of her husband and in a number of other admirable causes. She was grateful to you for writing.

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Mrs. Patricia van Emst

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At MANCROFT TOWERS
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SUFFOLK NR. 32

OK

Rt. Hon. Mrs. Margaret Thatcher MP.
Prime Minister

10th february 1983

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Dear Madam,

In view of Mrs. Charansky's campaign to secure the release of her husband, and your willingness to grant her an interview, I should esteem it an honour if you would kindly accept the enclosed letters and the United Nations Resolution on International Peace Year which are the result of twenty years work in this field under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and which I believe could provide a helpful dialogue between the Foreign Office and Mr. Victor Popov, not only regarding Mr. Charansky but also to provide an improvement in east-west relations.

In the past I have observed that when I sent copies of my correspondence to secure the release of Dr. Marina Voiskaya's young son from Moscow, he was released soon after, and many years ago I provided Reuters in the Hague copies of my correspondence for the Chinese Government and shortly afterwards Mr. Gray was released.

I do not attribute any merit for this to myself because God has given me a special calling in an understanding of His Will at this time of grave danger in the world. I am afraid that Brith-ain (Israel) is blind to the presence of the Lord unseen in our midst, and this is reflected in our present dilemmas. An example of my reasoning can be detected in the present water strike, because daily the media use the words "Mediator" and "Peace Talks" but refuse to concede that Jesus Christ the Water of Life is also the Creator, Maker and Owner of every drop of water in our beautiful islands! He is also our mediator for personal salvation and the world's salvation from a nuclear holocaust.

Until we learn to bring our national and international problems to THE FATHER OF ALL BELIEVING PEOPLES, and seek His guidance and the RETURN OF THE CHRIST to bring lasting peace to our threatened world, we shall continue to experience the power of the Enemy which are the unseen spiritual forces of Lucifer's Kingdom.

With sincere respect, and trusting you will not be offended at my outspoken comments. I should have preferred a personal interview but realize you are a very busy person, and doubt whether you would spare the time, even though my work for world Peace (and nursing the sick in order to be able to afford to continue this!) do merit a little more help from the Government than I have as yet received!

Yours sincerely,

Patricia van Emst

Mrs. Patricia van Emst SRN.



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REPORT OF THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Bahamas, Barbados, Bolivia, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cyprus, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Honduras, India, Jamaica, Liberia, Malta, Nepal, Pakistan, Panama, Philippines, Senegal, Singapore, Uruguay, Venezuela and Zaire: draft resolution

International Year of Peace

The General Assembly,

Recalling its resolution 36/67 of 30 November 1981 in which it invited the Economic and Social Council to consider the possibility of declaring an International Year of Peace at the first practicable opportunity, taking into account the urgency and special nature of such an observance,

Recalling Economic and Social Council resolution 1982/15 of 4 May 1982, in which the Council recommended to the General Assembly that, at its thirty-seventh session, it should establish 1986 as the International Year of Peace,

Recalling that the Preamble to the Charter of the United Nations proclaims the determination of the peoples of the United Nations to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war and for this end to practice tolerance and to live together in peace with one another as good neighbours, and to unite their strength to maintain international peace and security,

Considering that the promotion of peace is the basic objective of the United Nations,

Recognizing that peace continues to be a goal instead of an achievement, in spite of the resolute efforts of the United Nations,

BISHOP OF LIVERPOOL.

BISHOP'S LODGE,
WOOLTON PARK,
WOOLTON,
LIVERPOOL, 25.

18th February 1963

Mrs. van Emst,

Thank you very much for your letter with its most encouraging comments on Songs of Praise Television broadcast last day.

I appreciate very much your kindness in sending the summary of comments which you have received as a result of your previous letter with its challenging suggestion of a World Day of Prayer. This would be a tremendous witness by all people who believe in God. I am not surprised that you have received letters supporting the idea. You need more than support if anything is to happen, you need somebody to organize such a day, and that can only be done by a person in a position to do it. It cannot be a leader of any one church or denomination; it cannot be anyone representing any one country. Only the General Secretary of U.N.O. could, I think, do this.

Your efforts which I much admire must bring you encouragement in that they are bringing letters from many distinguished people. I understand your purpose aright, you are not satisfied with letters, you want action. When I think that you must find a way to get your idea put before U.N.O. This sounds impossible but one with the drive and enthusiasm you possess will probably find a way.

Yours sincerely,

S. P. van Emst. S.R.N.

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1st February 1983.

Dear Mr. Prior,

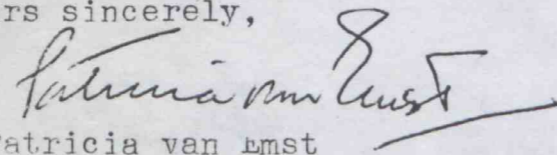
Your secretary kindly sent me the reply by Mr. Francis Pym to your enquiries concerning the UN Resolution for an International Year of Peace, for which I am most grateful.

I have read and re-read the Foreign Secretary's letter and I am somewhat amazed that he should treat this matter as "gestures and rhetoric"! He was undoubtedly unaware of the fact that it took ~~me~~ over twenty years to get a draft resolution taken to the International Association of University Presidents conference at San Jose, California in 1981, and from there to the United Nations General Assembly.

Remembering the tremendous forces for good which have been released by the year of the Child and the year of the handicapped, why should we doubt that an international year of Peace should not also prove as important in combatting violence, terrorism, mistrust, and war? More especially do I believe that it is our duty to proclaim 1983 as International Peace Year, commencing with a call for prayer addressed to all believing peoples.

Since I am not prepared to accept Mr. Pym's arguments as valid reasons for not looking into the possibility of sponsoring a 1983 international Peace Year, ~~and~~ (a move which can only assist negotiations on disarmament not hinder them), I trust you will convey my reply to the Foreign Secretary.

With kind regards,
Yours sincerely,


Patricia van Emst

P.S.

A copy of Mr. Pym's reply and the U.N. Resolution have been sent to the Bishop of Liverpool, Rt. Rev. David Shepherd, who will be presiding at the Anglican Synod on Nuclear Weapons this month.

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Taking into account the need to devote a specific time to concentrating the efforts of the United Nations and its Member States on promoting the ideals of peace and giving evidence of their commitment to peace in all viable ways,

Taking note of the recommendation by the Economic and Social Council that the International Year of Peace could be linked to the fortieth anniversary of the United Nations and be proclaimed on 24 October 1985,

Taking into account the guidelines for international years and anniversaries adopted by the General Assembly in its decision 35/424 of 5 December 1980,

1. Accepts the proposal made by the Economic and Social Council in its resolution 1982/15 and declares 1986 to be the International Year of Peace, which will be solemnly proclaimed on 24 October 1985;
2. Invites all States, all organizations within the United Nations system and interested non-governmental organizations to exert all possible efforts for the preparation and the observance of the International Year of Peace, and to respond generously with contributions to attain the objectives of the year;
3. Requests the Secretary-General to prepare, in accordance with proposals made by Member States, and in consultation with interested organizations and academic institutions, a draft programme, and to submit a report to the General Assembly at its thirty-eighth session.

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May 6, 1970

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Dear Mrs. van Emst-Back,

Thank you for your letter of April 27 and the enclosures.
SODEPAX certainly supports all your efforts.

Yours sincerely,

George H. Dunne
George H. Dunne, s.j.

PAKISTAN MISSION TO THE UNITED NATIONS
PAKISTAN HOUSE
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October 22, 1962

Dear Mrs. Emst,

Please accept my sincere thanks for your very kind letter of September 20, and the sentiments contained therein, which I value greatly and appreciate deeply. I agree with you that a worldwide day of prayer, meditation and rededication among all the people of the world supplicating God, the Creator of us all, for light and guidance so that mankind may be led out of the darkness and ignorance, mistrust and fear, into the light of peace, progress and righteousness, would be of great benefit for all of us. I would add my humble voice to that of world leaders around the globe that such a project should be promoted in all sincerity and humility.

In the meantime, we must all, in our own way, continuously supplicate God to the same end, so that as the result of our prayers the desire to establish communion with God and to seek guidance from Him should be shared among the whole of mankind.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

Zafullah Khan

PRESIDENT OF U.N.O.

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Received in Council Chamber, Norwich, 1975

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The Lord Mayor,
Norwich City Hall,
NORWICH.

MANCROFT TOWERS, OULTON BROAD, SUFFOLK.

Tel: Lowestoft 65075

6TH FEBRUARY 1975.

Dear Sir,

It was with much interest that I listened to a Norwich Civic Councillor talking on the B.B.C. "Today" programme about the proposed reduction in costs of official entertaining, and the fact that Norwich as a conference centre needs to keep up appearances because of delegations from abroad.

Perhaps it is unorthodox, but I wonder whether the City of Norwich would sponsor a new PEACE INITIATIVE as a means of increasing its already historic fame, and putting the money saved on official entertaining to better use. For fourteen years I have written to authorities in all parts of the world to gain support for an idea which would draw all peace-loving peoples closer together, and provide a new incentive for millions who see no end to the travail and misery of this century.

For thousands of years, mankind has relied on the mobilisation of armed forces (now equipped with atomic missiles capable of destroying ten major cities at one strike). I feel that in this INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR, there should be a MOBILISATION OF THE FORCES OF PEACE on a Universal Scale, and an endeavour to prove that the spiritual forces are superior to the weapons of war.

The points of my plan are as follows:-

1. A world-wide appeal and T.V. appearance by our THREE EUROPEAN QUEENS ELIZABETH, JULIANA AND MARGARETHA, as representatives of the women and mothers of the world, who suffer most by war.
2. At Easter, a minute's silence in which people are invited to pray for peace, and newspapers are invited to print the Lord's Prayer, or the prayer for PEACE of St. Francis of Assisi.
3. The occasion should be accompanied by a CEASE-FIRE IN ALL WAR AREAS for a month called The International Peace Month, which shall be extended indefinitely in phases until all urgent problems relating to conflicts are settled.
4. The extension of the Peace period should be animated by monthly bulletins from the Sponsors (e.g. the Civic Fathers of Norwich) on the progress of the initiative.
5. Statesmen should be requested to do their utmost to use the Peace Month for calling representatives of conflicting governments to attend special conferences either in London, Paris, Geneva or elsewhere.
6. THE RED CROSS should be admitted to the Peace Conferences in an advisory capacity to help solve questions relating to refugee and political hostages.
7. During the International Peace Month, forums should be held in schools universities and halls where ideas can be freely exchanged with councillors and politicians on matters connected with local prosperity and peace.
8. During the Peace Month, a national collection should be organised, if necessary by using BALLOT BOXES at Polling Stations, or MILK CHURNS in Churches (as is the custom in Holland), to ALLEVIATE NEED AT HOME AND ABROAD AMONG CHILDREN AND OLD PEOPLE.

Just as a stone when thrown into a river causes ever widening ripples, this initiative with God's blessing can have a world-wide effect, enhancing the renown of the City of Norwich.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs P. van Emst-Back S.R.N.

P.S. Relative to Point No. 1., if this proves difficult to achieve, Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother celebrates her 75th birthday in 1975 and perhaps could be asked.

INTERNATIONAL PEACE YEAR

Received in Council Chamber, Norwich, 1975

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NOVEMBER - DECEMBER - JANUARY
SEPTEMBER 1973

INTERNATIONAL PEACE MONTH'S

APPEAL TO MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS
AND ALL PEOPLES FOR 2 MINUTES SILENCE FOR
PRAYER, MEDITATION AND REDEDICATION TO THE
CAUSE OF WORLD PEACE - SEPTEMBER 1973
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The existence of mankind is in danger. Every day the number of intercontinental rockets with atomic warheads increases. Every hour the sea, land and air is becoming more and more polluted. War violence continues and the problems of overpopulation, hunger, and disease are increasing. Therefore it is imperative that we confess our guilt and inability to put things right, praying for Almighty God's intervention.

An Universal Appeal for 2 minutes silence in september by Queen Juliana in this 25 th. Jubileum Year of her reign would be a memorable act of sympathy with suffering humanity.

The Satanic Powers which threaten our planet and mankind cannot be destroyed by weapons of war or money, but can be influenced by spiritual power in the hands of God.

I request you to send this stencil with accompanying photo copy to your governments.

Mrs. P. van Emst-Back
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ORGANISATION DU TRAITÉ DE L'ATLANTIQUE NORD
NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION

CABINET
DU SECRETAIRE GÉNÉRAL
OFFICE
OF THE SECRETARY GENERAL

DC/74/154

Brussels, 20th May, 1974

Dear Mrs. van Emst-Back,

Before departing on an official mission abroad, the Secretary General asked that I communicate to you his thanks for your recent letter. Your continued devotion to the cause of peace is greatly appreciated. Thank you for taking the trouble to send us your ideas for future initiatives, which we shall consider carefully.

Sincerely yours,

Mark C. Lissfelt
Acting Director of the Private Office

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England.

18 June 1973

To all embassies

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The Netherlands.

22 February 1971.

Dear Sir,

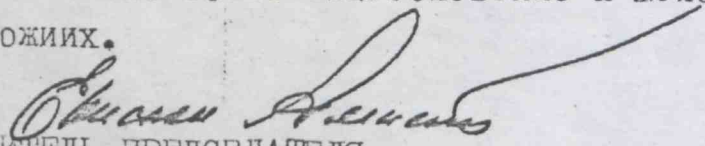
Re:- Apollo 14 astronauts' message to Earth, and
Universal Appeal for Two Minutes Silent Prayer for
Peace on World Day of Prayer 5 March 1971.

Г-же ПАТРИЦИИ ВАН ЭМСТ

Досточтимая гос пожа!

Ваше письмо на имя Высокопреосвященнейшего Ми-
трополита Никодима от 5 июня 1963 года получено.
Благодарим за внимание и сообщение о Ваших усили-
ях в учреждении всеяского дня молитвы. Наша Цер-
ковь ежедневно молится о мире всего мира, благо-
стоянии святых Божиих церквей и соединении всех.

Призываю на Вас Божие благословение и желаю всех
милостей Божиих.


ЗАМЕСТИТЕЛЬ ПРЕДСЕДАТЕЛЯ
ОТДЕЛА ВНЕШНИХ ЦЕРКОВНЫХ СНОШЕНИЙ
МОСКОВСКОЙ ПАТРИАРХИИ

In view of the fact that the desire for true peace on Earth
is shared by millions of people irrespective of race and ideology,
and Astronaut Alan Shepard stressed the importance of using Space
communications for bridging the political differences, and
it is suggested that All Believing Peoples should link themselves
in an act of homage to the Creator by observing Two Minutes Silent
Prayer at 8 p.m. on Friday 5 March, which is a World Day of Prayer.

This project can generate spiritual power and goodwill
unsurpassed in history. It will unite millions who hold different
faiths but who recognise that God alone can lead mankind out of
the darkness of these times, to the light of lasting peace.

If this Act of Hommage is accompanied by a Cease Fire in
conflict areas, and voluntary aid to assist refugees, war prisoners,
political hostages, and famine areas, it can result in a new
incentive for peace and justice.

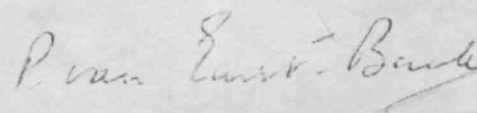
In the Netherlands, special appeals are accompanied by suitable
press notices, solemn music on radio and T.V., the ringing of
Church bells and sirens, special arrangements in Town Halls, Banks
and other places for collecting money for the Red Cross, and
distribution of informative pamphlets.

It has been suggested that the Theme for this Two Minutes
Silence should be "Thy Kingdom Come", and many countries may wish
to print "The Lord's Prayer" in the daily newspapers as a help to
those who are not acquainted with this most ecumenical intercession.

A Chinese philosopher Lao Tsi once wrote: "Wars will continue,
and mankind will murder his brother until such time as he is
quiet and listens to God". The Prophet Zechariah wrote "Be silent
O all flesh, before the Lord, for He is raised up out of His holy
habitation".

Let us haste to meet Him, while there is yet time.

Yours faithfully,



The following communication has been sent to all Embassies and Consulates in The Hague, all U.N. missions in New York, the Offices of the Mayors of all large cities in the U.S.A., the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in The Hague, Foreign Office in London, Paris Peace Talks Delegates, World Council of Churches, Lambeth Conference of Anglican Churches; International Red Cross, International Court of Justice, U.N. Commission for Human Rights, and the Executive Office of U.N. Secretary General U Thant. Also to Pope Paul and other religious leaders. *v Apollo Space Centre.*

Suggestions for realizing an International Peace Week (or Month) with World Day of Prayer for All Peoples, as means of lessening international tensions and seeking God's help towards achieving true peace.

1. An effort should be made by the Netherlands Government to appeal in the United Nations ^{and} via the International Red Cross for an International Peace Week (or Month) to be held with a cessation of hostilities and propaganda for racial violence in all places.
2. A World Day of Prayer should be observed in complete freedom of thought and expression, and accompanied by positive goodwill throughout all levels of society for the alleviation of suffering.
3. Millions of copies of the Lord's prayer in all languages should be prepared for distribution to countries which request this most ecumenical and uniting form of meditation. Daily newspapers and other publishing establishments should be requested to assist in achieving this.
4. The Netherlands Government should request the International Red Cross to appeal for a release of war prisoners during the Peace Period, and for definite meetings between conflicting statesmen to take place at that time.
5. The Netherlands Government should lead the way by openly admitting its belief in the need for a new approach to international problems, consisting in the organisation of a World Day of Prayer and International Peace, in order that Almighty God can lead His children away from the present grave dangers of a Third World War.
6. ~~When the date for the World Day of Prayer has been decided upon,~~ an appeal should be made via communication satellites, the press, radio, and T.V. by a leader of each of the main religious groups in each continent, viz. Pope Paul, Dr. Carson Blake or Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, Islam Leader Hazzat (or the Aga Khan, the Chief Rabbi of Jerusalem, the Dalai Lama of Tibet or Mr. U Thant for the Buddhists, and Mrs. Gandhi for the Hindus.
7. Soviet Union and other communist countries.
The International Red Cross and other emissaries should convey information about this peace initiative to the Government Leaders with the request that every co-operation be given to enable believing peoples of all faiths to observe a special day of prayer during the International Peace Week (or Month), and that special attention should be given in the press, radio and T.V. to the work of the International Red Cross and United Nations Development projects. Perhaps Unicef can figure prominently in an appeal for support to these organisations, remembering the great suffering among children in Vietnam, Nigeria and South America.
8. China, North Vietnam and North Korea.
The Peking Government, radio and press agencies, and all known universities and centres of culture in these countries, should be informed about this International Peace Week (or month) with World Day of Prayer, and invited to take part.
9. In all countries special thought should be given to the future of the children of the world in this nuclear age, and emphasis given to the need for a new example by parents in the form of respect for law, order, high moral standards and a hatred of violence. Young people and students should be requested to refrain from mass demonstrations during this time, and to make useful, imaginative and concrete suggestions for helping to alleviate suffering in less fortunate countries. These suggestions on paper should be collected by the teaching staff of schools and universities, and seriously considered by authorities connected with government and social reform in the countries concerned.
10. The tremendous dangers facing the human race by the rapid build-up of nuclear missile stocks should be faced in all its ghastly reality, and the guidance of Almighty God for the restoration of mutual trust and complete abolition of all weapons for mass destruction, should be sought forthwith.

AN AGENDA TOWARDS AN INTERNATIONAL PEACE YEAR.

GOVERNMENT FOR NETHERLANDS BRITISH Substitute

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