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FOR PEACE CONGRESS 1988
21. - 23. MAY, 1988, BONN, FRG
THINK AND TEACH GLOBALLY-
ACT LOCALLY!
TEACFERSFORPEAQ.
19 all initiatives, groups, organizations and
trade unions concerning Teachers for Peace
Dear colleagues, dear friends,
It's time that you received a message from us. The
people of the world, all conCernes and all people inter-
ested in disarmement must urge on the next steps of
disarmament so that the process that began with the INF-
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treaty does not stop. We pedagogues are part of thls MxmummngwMWEQRQ
world wide movement. Now we have more possibilities in F%Iiuummnmnuun
engaging the teachers and the young generation for
solving the global problems.
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Our successfull 11; Congress 13 Bonn in May 1988 joined ggxzmxggnunam
nearly 600 participants from 51 countries: from Angola, Gmammwamnemumnny
Argentina, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, DREmHleBmMmGn
Canada,' Chile, Costa Rica, CSSR, Cyprus, Denmark, :gigiggxlnmmmuw
ECuador, El Salvador, Finland, France, FRG, GDR, Ghana, nawmsuwmman
Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, India, Ireland, Italy, WWNRWEiMHWWUHWm
Japan, Luxemburg; 1 Marocco, Mozambique, Namibia, The Egzzgazzizggfanm
Netherlands, Nicaragua, Norway, Peru, The Philippines,
Portugal, Poland, Senegal, South Africa, Spain $::::;::f
(Galicia), Sweden, Switzerland, Tunesia, Turkey, mnnxmamm;::::mpa
Uruguay, USA, USSR, Vietnam, Yugoslavia, Zaire. Among lmmmmmwumwmum,
them were the following representatives of international mumw""h"h"amm
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organisations: Emmott).
Amnesty International HMEWumunmwmaEnmm
Association mondiale pour lecole instrument de paix,
(EIP), Geneva (Switzerland)
International Association of Educators for World Peace
(GB)
International Council of Association for World Education
International Liga of Education (Paris, France)
International News for Peace and Justice Tour (Montreal,
International Peace Bureau (Geneva, Switzerland)
International Physicians for Prevention of Nuclear War
Liason Comitee of END (European Nuclear Disarmament)
Quaker Peace Comitee
Service Civil International (SCI)
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United Nations (UNO), New York
World Council for Curriculum and Instruction (WCCI)
Womans International League for Peace and Freedom ( USA)
World Peace Council (Helsinki, SF).
And among the participants were classroom_teachers, peace researchers,
politicians, nursery employees, adulteducators, students and children of
USA, USSR and FRG. Among the participants were representatives of the fol-
lowing trade unions:
Bulgarian Teachers Union
Carrer Teachers Organisation (NAS/UWT, London, GB)
Confederation American Educators (CEA, Nicaragua)
Danish Teachers Union (DLF), Observer
Educational and Scientific Workers Union of USSR
General Union of Palestinan Teachers (GUPT, Tunesia)
High School Teachers Union (NIKKOYO, Japan)
Hungarian Teachers Union
International Comitee of Trade Union of Pre-School Teachers
International Federation of Free Teachers Union (IFFTU, Den Haag,
NL), Observer
International Federation of Teachers Association (WCOTP,
Switzerland), Observer
Metal Industrial Workers (IG Metall, FRG)
National Union of Teachers (NUT, GB)
State School Teachers Union (Australia)
Teachers and Scientists Trade Union (GEW, FRG), Observer
Teachers Union (ANDEN, Nicaragua)
Section Teachers in the Trade Union of Public Service (VVPOD,
Switzerland)
Teachers Union (ANDES, El Salvador)
Teachers Union (ONP, Mocambique)
Teachers and Educators Union (GUE, GDR)
Teachers Trade Union (FEN/OMT, Maroc)
Trade Union for Education and Science (OGBL, Luxemburg)
Trade Union of High School Teachers (SNES, France)
Trade Union of High School Teachers (OAJ, Finland)
Trade Union of Pedagogical Helpers (PMF, Denmark)
Trade Union of Pre-Shool Teachers (BUPL, Danmark)
Trade Union Teachers for Secondary Schools (Denmark)
University Teachers Union (FEN/PROF, Portugal)
University Teachers Union (SNESup, France)
University Teachers Union (SNESup, Maroc)
University Teachers Union (Vietam)
World Federation of Teachers Union (FISE, Berlin, GDR), Observer
Teachers Union of Technical Teachers (OLTEK, Cyprus)
Secondary Teachers Union (OELMEK, Cyprus)
Teachers Trade Union (Uruguay)
Confederation Xeral de Traballadores Galegos (Galicia, Spain)
Teachers Trade Union (Ireland)
Representatives of ANC and SWAPO, representing the peoples in Southern
Africa, experienced our solidarity and support. Ingrid Lehmann, as
representative of UNO, and Kaisa Savolainen, as representative of UNESCO,
took part, as well as Dr. Rauen as representative of the Mayor of Bonn.
We received written greetings from Raoul Alfonsin (President of Argentina),
Prime Minister Carlson (Sweden), President of the Staatsrat of the GDR,
Erich Honecker, Prime Minister Johannes Rau (Northrhine-Westphalia, NRW,
one of the states of FRG), Minister of School Knies (NRW, FRG) and many
organisations and initiatives. The videos in the opening session of Willy
Brandt (former Chancellor of FRG) and Govan Mbeki (South Africa), who did
not get a passport from his governement, were important and introduced the
theme of the Congress: "Think and teach globally - act locally" as well as
the introducing speeches of Prof. Wolfgang Popp (Coordinating Group, FRG),
Dieter Wunder (Chairman of German Teachers Union, GEW), Corinne Kumar d'
Souza (Bangaloore, India), Glenn Hawkes (Parents and Teachers for Social
Responibility, USA), Alexander Zaccharienko (Teachers for Peace and Member
of Supreme Soviet, USSR). Pupils of the Gesamtschule Bonn-Beuel, where the
conference took place, and children from Vermont - singing the Peace
Musical "Heart of the mountain" completed the opening session. It is not
possible to describe in this letter the nearly 100 workshops, forums,
discussion groups, lectures and meetings or the solidarity meeting or the
Congressparty. We will publish a documentation in German and we try to do
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it in English. They will be ready in March 1989. If you wish to have the German text, please use the enclosed form. If you are interested in the English text please sign it.

The congress ended with a large Peace Festival together with the peace movement of Bonn, the capital of the FRG, and following visits of delegates in the vicinity.

The two central messages of the congress: "An Appeal to the teachers and the people of the world" and "Apartheid means war - Teachers for Peace are against Apartheid and war", have been personally signed by the participants. Enclosed you will find both messages. We sent the "Appeal to the teachers and the people of the world" by telex to Reagan and Gorbatschow, at the summit at Moscow.

After the conference, two delegates (Wolfgang Popp and Renate Kerbst) were sent to the "International Conference for Nuclear Free Zones" in Berlin (GDR) and Horst Bethge was sent to the "International Peace Conference" and the III. SSD of the UNO in New York.

The II. Congress had a wide echo in the mass media of the PRC. (If you are interested in it we can send you our press documentation) We ask you to send copies of newspaper articles from your country - if there have been any.