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Dear Jesse:

We submit the attached 2006 Annual Report for the Rotarian Action Group for Population & Development (RFPD). This document will outline the goals and objectives of RFPD, and provide financial, membership and project information. RFPD has made measurable progress with 1.2 million Rotarians and many others in the past eleven years. We have educated members on the critical nature of the population issue, and motivated them to take up humanitarian projects that directly address the problem.

Our goals for the next three years are to:

- Increase RFPD's membership.
- Increase the amount of support from outside grant sources.
- Cultivate new volunteers and supporters in order to increase world-wide visibility and support.
- Improve effectiveness of RFPD's Country Chairs and Zone Coordinators.
- Increase the number of large-scale population-based projects in the developing world.
- Increase the number of population-based Matching Grant projects supported by The Rotary Foundation and other organizations.

The recent RI Convention in Salt Lake City focused on Country Chair and Zone Coordinator issues and improving communication between the developing and developed worlds. RFPD is motivated to increasing awareness of the population issue and to promote projects that address population and sustainable development. Area Coordinators continue to give presentations to local Rotary clubs and other organizations that want to be involved in these issues. They also have increased the visits made to countries with low RFPD activity. We continue to give seminars and conferences on literacy, micro-credit and girl-child and women's health across the globe.

We continue to motivate many Rotary leaders and RFPD members to become speakers on the population issue. We increase the number of population service projects available to clubs and districts for sponsorship. Our Board Members in North America, India, North Africa/Middle East, Nigeria, Latin America and Europe continue to succeed at impressive goals.

Support from Rotary International remains critical for us to continue what we have been so successful at achieving in the past eleven years. We look forward to continuing this relationship and working toward a better world.

For the Board of RFPD.

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RFPD Mission & Case Statement

Mission Statement

The mission of RFPD is to educate Rotary's 1.2 million members in 200 countries on population and development issues, and to develop projects that address those issues. The emphasis of these projects is to bring better balance to numbers of people and the resources upon which we all depend.

Case Statement

The Rotarian Action Group for Population & Development (RFPD) is a grassroots organization of over 20,000 Rotarians worldwide who share the common belief that humanity is at a crisis point concerning interlocking issues of population pressure, environmental degradation and poverty. Every year, the world population increases by approximately 76 million people - the equivalent of adding a country the size of Germany a year or a city the size of Philadelphia every week. In an analysis by Redefining Progress, an environmental group based in Oakland, California, estimates that humanity is consuming the Earth's resources at a rate 20% faster than can be sustained. The current world population is 6.6 billion people; in 1950 it was just 2.5 billion. Three billion people will enter their fertile reproductive years in the next 25 years and only 1.8 billion will leave that stage. It is estimated that world population will surge to over 9.0 billion by the year 2050, with almost all of the increase in developing countries. The race to help stabilize the planet is on, and RFPD has developed strategies to help stem the tide. The members of RFPD are uniquely positioned to respond to the population crisis with creative, effective solutions that respect the diverse and cultural religious composition of Rotary International.

As a US tax-exempt organization that holds a separate non-profit status from Rotary International, RFPD works to promote, develop and coordinate service projects that specifically address the population issue. Rotarians who live in the developing country project area assess the population needs of their communities and initiate projects. The projects range from reproductive health education and maternal health (including prevention and treatment of obstetric fistula) to HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention with particular focus on prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT). Project areas also include secondary education for girls and micro-credit and vocational classes for women. A project application is then prepared by the Rotary club and sent to the RFPD office to help find sponsor-ship. RFPD locates a Rotary club sponsor in a developed country. When a sponsor is found and the grant application completed by both clubs, the grant application is sent to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) for approval and supplemental funding. Each club then pays the amount they agreed to and The Rotary Foundation matches the contribution. When the funding is completed, the money is sent directly to the Rotary club in the developing country that is responsible for the project. RFPD is a clearinghouse for project development and a conduit for project submissions, we receive no direct funding from TRF.

According to the Population Institute, women do two thirds of the world's work; yet only make 10% of the world's income and own only 1% of the world's real estate. In areas where economic opportunities for women are limited, there is an increase in population pressures, which leads to a vicious cycle of poverty, disease, violence and terrorism. Education is the cornerstone of all RFPD projects. Project participants are educated on the importance of having the number of children that they can love and take care of through the eduction of women's health and use of child spacing and family planning. Participants are also counseled on the risks of unprotected sex and HIV/AIDS.

RFPD has offices located in North America, India, North Africa/Middle East, Nigeria, Latin America and Europe. These offices are staffed by dedicated, hardworking Rotarians who often pay their own expenses to attend local and international meetings, and cover other business expenses. The US office has one full-time employee to carry out all the administrative and bookkeeping needs. Volunteers or part-time administrative workers staff the other global offices. We are facing increased service needs to establish programs that will create healthy families.

RFPD Goals & Executive Summary

Principal Goals

RFPD's principal goals are 1) to educate Rotarians on the social, economic and environmental ramifications of population concerns and 2) to develop resources for its population projects. RFPD has increased the population project proposals from Rotary Clubs in developing countries and will continue to do so. We promote sponsorship of those projects from Rotary Clubs in developed countries, and promote large-scale population projects with outside funders and NGO's. By mobilizing Rotary Clubs and District Governors worldwide, RFPD's regional leaders, Country Chairs, and Zone Coordinators in North America, South America, India, Africa and Europe work to accomplish these goals. RFPD continues to gain support from Rotarians, from Rotary Clubs and districts around the world. Our population projects meet the needs of communities in developing countries and are specifically tuned toward the cultural and religious sensitivities of each region where they occur. RFPD's regional leaders and Country Chairs and Zone Coordinators in North America, South America, Asia, India, Africa and Europe work to accomplish these goals.

Executive Summary

RFPD has extended our activities to Rotaract and Inner Wheel, especially in Germany. We provide increased support of our Country Chairs (CC's), Zone Coordinators (ZC's) and Assistant Zone Coordinators (AZC's). New CC's, ZC's and AZC's, have been appointed mainly in USA, Latin America and Africa. We have increased membership efforts and submission of Matching Grant (MG) projects to The Rotary Foundation (TRF).

Recent Activities

1) Annual Rotary International (RI) Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah, USA – June 2007: Pre & Post Convention RFPD Board Meetings were held June 16 and 20 from 8-10am. Items discussed included past meeting minutes, current activities, improving effectiveness, future plans for RFPD and Convention activities.

RFPD Country Chair & Zone Coordinator Training Session was held, June 17 from 1-5:30pm. This annual event updated Country Chairs and Zone Coordinators on RFPD changes, challenges and current activities. Instructions provided each CC/ZC on how to set-up an RFPD section and included ways to improve their status, gain members and generate projects. An updated CC/ZC manual was provided. Agenda items included:

- 1) RFPD Structure and Processes and RI Rotarian Action Group (RAG) Updates
- 2) How to be an effective Country Chair/Zone Coordinator Success Stories
- 3) Guest speakers Malcolm Potts & Martha Campbell. Both professors are on faculty at the University of California-Berkley, in the School of Public Health. They are challenging the current paradigm for understanding population growth and what enables fertility to decline.
- 4) Skit: "Zone Coordinators Face the Challenge" and Role Playing

RFPD Annual General Meeting was held June 19 from 5:30-7:00pm. Featured Speaker was Frosty Wooldridge, speech entitled: "THE COMING POPULATION CRISIS: AND WHAT YOU CAN DO ABOUT IT."

RFPD's Exhibit Booths – The RFPD booth showcased its projects, mission and population information. The other was a booth featuring the project "Improvement of Maternal Health." Rotarians had the chance to talk with RFPD board members, CC's & ZC's, as well as network to create MG projects and sign-up to become members.

"RFPD's Contribution to the Millennium Development Goals (MDG's)" - Monday, June 18 from 1:30-3pm

The 90-minute informative panel discussions on how RFPD is addressing the MDG's. RFPD board members presented information on population concerns, sustainable development and matching grant projects initiated and supported by RFPD. Projects included maternal health, child spacing, literacy, micro-credit and HIV/AIDS testing. For the first time, Rotary International granted RFPD two workshops at the convention. Both workshops were successful with attendance of over 300 people at this workshop.

Panelists & Topics: Moderator: Buck Lindsay

- "MDG's and Reproductive Health, including Family Planning" Robert Zinser
- "Improvement of Mother's Health-Project in Nigeria" Robert Zinser
- "Saheli Women's Centers in India" Rekha Shetty
- "Child Spacing" Dolapo Lufadeju
- "Literacy & Micro-credit in Egypt" Salem Mashhour
- "HIV/AIDS testing" Bill Cadwallader
- "Zero Adolescent Pregnancy (ZAP) in Latin America" Luis Serra

"A Comprehensive Approach to Reduce Maternal Mortality" - Monday, June 18 from 3:30-5pm

A current MG-Project among Nigerian, German, Austrian Districts joins NGOs and Governments. Maternal Mortality Reduction requires collaboration. The workshop included Behaviour Change, Structural Improvements, Fistula Prevention/Treatment, Rehabilitation, Microcredit and Safe Water. Program had a "Call to Action" for Maternal Survival - MDG 5. 125 people attended this workshop.

Panelists & Topics: Moderator: John Eberhard

- "History & Outline of Project" Robert Zinser
- "Needs of Community, Role of Governments, Traditional Rulers and Other Stakeholders" Kola Owoka
- "Fistula Prevention and Treatment, Structural Improvements" Peter Neuner
- "How Advocacy and Family Planning Play an Important Role" Dolapo Lufadeju
- "Behavior Change through Radio Serials" Bill Ryerson
- "Introduction of Vouchers and General Views" Prof. Malcolm Potts

Overview of Accomplishments

Objective 1: To increase knowledge of the population issue to Rotarians worldwide and increase partnerships. The number of educational tools developed or applied, include the following:

1) Conference in Ft. Lee, New Jersey, USA – November 2 & 3, 2006, RFPD held a conference entitled "Fundamental Challenges to International Community Development: Women's Empowerment and Education, Maternal Health, HIV/AIDS" at the Ft. Lee New Jersey Hilton Hotel. The event was planned to complement the Rotary/UN Day that was held the following Saturday. 112 Rotarians from 16 countries and 37 Districts from around the world attended. Rotarians and guests came from 15 different states of the USA. The conference was a success. It was organized by RFPD; the cooperation of UNFPA was acknowledged with appreciation.

The conference was held to accomplish the following:

- 1) Raise awareness of RFPD and its agenda.
- 2) Increase support for the Council on Legislation.
- 3) Educate Rotarians on women's empowerment and education.
- 4) Increase the confidence of the Zone Coordinators and Country Chairs by showing them they are promoting a concept that has world wide support, not only by thousands of Rotarians, but also the United Nations. Each Zone Coordinator from North America and Country Chair that attended was given a speaking role.
- 5) Increase the number of Assistant Zone Coordinators and show them that they have a valid, active role to play in the development of RFPD goals. The Assistant Zone Coordinators from the Northeast were vital to the success of this meeting and will be active promoters of RFPD programs in the future.
- 6) Promote closer coordination between Rotary and UNFPA.
- 7) Motivate and guide Rotary leaders in developing their own vision for future efforts in international community development. The majority cost of the conference was covered by the registration fees (totaling \$15,465.00).
- 8) A 25-page Findings Report document was created and given to all senior RI officers, including the President, President-elect, Trustees and Board Members. It was also distributed at the RI conference in Salt Lake City and is available to all interested people on the RFPD Webpage. It includes major speeches from the conference.

2) RFPD MEMBERSHIP - the total number of dues-paying members:

| Region | 2005 | 2006 | 2007 |
|------------------------------|--------|---------|--------|
| N. America | 1,723 | 1,506 | 1,633 |
| India | 1,420 | 1,420 | 1,420 |
| SE Asia | 93 | 100 | 114 |
| S. America | 141 | 141 | 151 |
| Africa (North & Middle East) | 168 | 150 | 178 |
| Europe | 10,300 | 15,873* | 12,131 |
| Africa (Sub-Sahara) | 2,020 | 3,000 | 4,500 |
| TOTALS | 15,865 | 22,190 | 20,127 |

^{*6,258} members in Germany, 5,873 estimated for other European Countries.

New Lifetime Members (total 122): Africa – 1, Argentina – 1, Australia – 2, Canada – 2, Egypt – 4, England – 1, Germany – 15, Guatemala – 1, Honduras – 1, India – 11, Indonesia – 1, Italy – 1, Japan – 1, Kenya – 1, Nigeria – 7, Paraguay – 1, Peru – 1, Sweden – 1, Turkey – 18, USA – 51.

3) Newsletters – Fragile Earth (RFPD's quarterly newsletter) is disseminated in the US and English speaking countries. MENSCHENsKINDER, a German version of Fragile Earth is published to German, Austrian and Swiss Rotarians, Rotaractors and Inner Wheelers. The Explorer is the version of the newsletter distributed in India. In Africa, Fragile Earth is distributed along with a local newsletter. In Latin America, Fragile Earth is translated into Spanish, distributed and posted on the RFPD website. For each issue, each Country Chair and Zone Coordinator receives 10 copies of Fragile Earth, which they translate and distribute to their districts, clubs and potential RFPD members.

4) Partnership and Membership with NGO's:

New Partnerships (total 4): 1) International Association of Maternal and Neonatal Health (IAMANEH), 2) Health Minister of Guatemala, 3) Guatemalan Government, 4) Catholic Leaders in Latin America, and 5) The Partnership for Maternal, Neonatal and Child Health (PMNCH).

<u>Strengthened Partnerships (total 6):</u> Population Media Center (PMC), The United Nations Populations Fund (UNFPA), German Government (BMZ), Egyptian Government, ICA Foundation and the Aventis Foundation.

Membership with The Partnership – Dolapo Lufadeju has been nominated to the Board of Directors for The Partnership.

Cooperation with Population Experts – The German section has initiated cooperation with Prof. Malcolm Potts and Martha Campbell of the University of California, Berkeley University. M. Campbell is mainly advising on the MDG's and Prof. Potts on Outbased Approaches (OBA) and the introduction of the voucher system. RFPD Vice-Chairman, Robert Zinser, was appointed as "Senior Advisor" by the International Contraception Association (ICA), which assists with networking.

In Egypt – an agreement was signed with the Egyptian Government and RFPD, which will support Maternal Health and Family Planning. The National Population Board in Egypt reorganized in March 2007 in order to activate and to work to combat increasing birth rates. Its call to action includes four venues to achieve an average birth rate of 2.4 babies for each woman by the end of the year 2012, with a plan for 2.1 by the end of year 2017. This will be done through improving health and birth services, family planning education, increasing awareness of small families and by supporting and evaluating the population parameters and sustainable development programs. RFPD will play an important role in helping achieve these goals.

Sensitization Seminars – seminars have been held in Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia, Congo, Gabon, Cameroon, Tchad, Rwanda and Tanzania. Also, the education of Rotarians and non-Rotarians on family planning, child spacing and HIV/AIDS prevention is on-going.

- **5) Publicity & Promotion** All Area Coordinators, Country Chairs and Zone Coordinators speak regularly about RFPD and the population and development issues they face. Rotarians are taking action through public speaking engagements, distributing publicity materials (at the local and regional level) and collaborating with other Rotarians and people in need, all over the world. RFPD has the following websites:
- 1. RFPD's website (www.rifpd.org) is regularly being updated by our volunteer webmaster, Chuck Bull. He will be doing a major update and redesign of the site within the next year.
- 2. Regularly updated RFPD's German website (www.rifpd.de)
- 3. New European website (www.rifpd.eu)
- 4. Special website for maternal and child health projects (www.maternalhealthcare.eu)

All Area Coordinators, Country Chairs, USA & Indian Zone Coordinators and Assistant ZC's give presentations at Rotary Clubs, District Conferences and Zone Institutes. They all hold round table discussion groups and host a booth at such conferences where RFPD materials are available.

In some European countries promotion of RFPD has to be improved, however, Germany and Austria sections are very effective in promoting RFPD and its activities. This is done through a bi-monthly publication of a RFPD column in the German Rotary magazine, by distribution of the German newsletter in Germany, Austria and Switzerland, by presentations at RI institutes, district assemblies, conferences, intercity and Rotary Club meetings. Presentations are also given at the Germany-wide conference of Rotaract and in Club Meetings of Inner Wheel. Germany continues to participate at round table discussions with the German government, German government bank (KFW) and many NGO's. The DVD of the Maternal Health Project in Nigeria is published on YouTube. The Radio Serial portion of the project was presented at International Women's Day at the International Museum of Women, San Francisco. Also, an RFPD presentation was well-received at the Austrian District Conference and Intercity Meeting in France.

In Latin America, presentations have been given at Rotary Clubs, two Rotarian Institutes and one Bi-Annual District Conference (D 4240-4250) in Guatemala. Luis Serra, Area Coordinator for Latin America, gave a 40-minute workshop entitled "Lead the Way of Mankind on Population and Development," to 1,006 Rotarians from North, Central and South America. He created a "Reproductive Health and Responsible Fatherhood" public service announcement, has promoted projects and has distributed RFPD materials. Interviews were carried out during the Rotarian Zone Institute in Rosario, Argentina, with Rotarians from: Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay, Guatemala, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia and USA. Other advocacy activities included a TV interview, presentation at a Scientist and Techniques dinner and an interview with the National Education Minister of Guatemala. Luis explained the purpose of RFPD to qualified Rotarians from Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama, Colombia, and Venezuela.

Objective 2: To increase the number of population projects developed by clubs for submission to The Rotary Foundation for matching funds: RFPD is regularly working to increase the number of population projects. Our CC's in developing countries offer specific, interesting projects to CC's and ZC's in developed countries directly so that those CC's starting their work are motivated to implement pilot projects, which motivates Rotarians to join RFPD.

Population projects are initiated, supported and implemented by RFPD. The RFPD German Section co-funds their projects with their membership fees. Most of our Population projects are co-funded by The Rotary Foundation. Currently, our largest project, "Improvement of Maternal Health: Prevention and Treatment of Obstetric Fistula" (total grant amount \$1,350,000), in Northern Nigeria finds much interest and gets additional in-kind donations. Our next largest project is the "Saheli Centers" (total grant amount \$222,588) in Northern India.

Objective 3: To develop larger scale population projects that will be submitted to outside US foundations and foreign entities for funding: Each section of RFPD continues to search for funding opportunities and to increase the size of its projects. We regularly revise our grants database, which consists of over 100 foundations, family foundations and donors who fund population and reproductive health agencies. We continue to make contacts and network inside and outside of Rotary for funding.

Objective 4: To increase the number of RFPD Country Chairmen, Zone Coordinators and Assistant Zone Coordinators who will work as population advocates within their countries to develop and sponsor population projects.

Each Country Chair, Zone Coordinator and Assistant Zone Coordinator continues to be assessed by the board of RFPD. Each Area Coordinator has contacted the CC, ZC or AZC in their area and has been following-up with their progress on a regular basis. It continues to be challenging, but the policy remains to replace less active leaders to ensure they continue to serve RFPD and its mission. Complete List of RFPD Country Chairs, Zone Coordinators & Assistant Zone Coordinators totals 93 as of October 1, 2007:

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American Samoa, Michael Dworsky
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Argentina, Luis Serra
                                                                 Netherlands, Koos IsegerNigeria, Adeniji Raji
Australia, Colin Suchting
                                                                 Norway, Bernt Gulla
Austria, Peter Neuner
                                                                 Pakistan, Ali Akhtar
Bangladesh, Emdad Ul Haq
                                                                 Panama, Allen Sellers
Belgium, Hessel Danser
                                                                 Paraguay, Graciela Jara de Villasanti
                                                                 Peru, Martin Singer
Phillippines, Jose F. Peralta
Belize, Marcelo Coyi
Bermuda, Augustine Hardart
Bolivia, Enrique Mendizábal Eyzaguirre
                                                                 Russia, Alexandre Makatsaria
                                                                 Rwanda, John Nyombayire
Samoa, Marco Kappenberger
Senegal, Alassane Mar
Brazil, Adelia Villas
Cameroun, Henri Tchakountio
Canada, Laetitia De Witt & Rob McLeod
                                                                 Singapore, Rosy Nakhooda
Solomon Islands, David Quan
South Africa, Tony Hampson-Tindale
Congo, Claude Mukendi
Cook Islands, John Fallon
Cote D'Ivoire, Paulin Claude Danho
Denmark, Torben Folmer Bech
                                                                 Spain, Pat op de Beeck
Sri Lanka, Dion Michael Schoorman
Equador, Hector Plaza
Egypt, Mounir Ezzeldin
                                                                 Sudan, Tryphon Calidakis
Sweden, Bernhard Svanberg
Ethiopia, Tadesse Alemu
Eritrea, Girmay Haile
                                                                 Switzerland, Pat Lahusen
Finland, Harry Blässar
                                                                 Taiwan, Tony Chen
France, Pierre Badere
                                                                 Tanzania, Faye Cran
Gabon, Josepj Owondault-Berre
The Gambia, Oumou Seydou Tall
                                                                 Tchad, Athanase Poulopoulos
                                                                 Tongo, Dianne Warner
Germany, Ekkehart Pandel
                                                                 Turkey, Mithat Kiyak
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Guam, Abi Adigun
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Guinea, Amadou Diarra
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India, Rekha Shetty
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D 3200, K.S. Pillai
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Zone 32, Tam Mustapha
Zone 33, William Rogister
        D 3250, Sandeep Narang
        D 3290, Amitava Mookerjee
Indonesia, Natalia Soebagjo
Israel, David Neumann
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Kenya, George Ooko
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Mali, Amategue Dolo
Mexico, Andres Robles
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Europe: A replacement was made in The Netherlands: Koos Iseger replaces Cees Van Berg as Country Chair. Support was provided to European CCs. Circulars, phone calls and emails were made to motivate and create excitement for RFPD German activities. Two new websites were created - www.rifpd.eu and www.maternalhealthcare.eu for the maternal health project in Northern Nigeria (relevant activities in Nepal with be added).

Asia: Rekha Shetty reports that she has visited Singapore on September 16, 2006 and Malaysia on September 17 & 18, 2006 to review RFPD activities. Activities in Singapore have been slow, however, RFPD's CC Dr. Rajinder Singh in Malaysia, who is incoming Governor of Rotary District 3300, has committed to be active. Since both he and his wife are leading medical professionals in Malaysia, they can make RFPD visible on a large scale. They will be conducting high-impact Population & Development projects.

We have not succeeded in getting RFPD activated in Philippines in spite of my efforts and three visits to the country. It is possible that the Roman Catholic majority population is a barrier for RFPD there. In the predominantly Muslim country of Indonesia, we hope to do well since PDG Ritje Rihatinah is getting involved with RFPD programs. We will replace current CC in the next year, as the current CC is inactive. The CC's in Pakistan, Nepal and Bangladesh are active. Sri Lanka needs to be focused on and re-activated.

Sub Sahara Africa: In an effort to increase RFPD work in Kenya, Uganda and Ethiopia, RFPD leader, Dolapo Lufadeju, made advocacy visits to each country between September 19, 2006 and October 7, 2006. These visits were aimed at achieving three main objectives: 1. To properly establish RFPD and its membership and Project activities in these countries; 2. To elect competent and interested Rotarians to leadership positions in these countries; 3. To promote Matching Grant projects on Population and Development within the district. Dolapo reports that all three objectives were accomplished with tremendous success. Country Chairs have been elected in Kenya, Uganda, Ethiopia, Cameroun, Tchad and Rwanda.

Latin America: Area Coordinator Luis Serra has gained three new CC's - Guillermo E. Valle M. from Honduras, Graciela Jara de Villasanti from Paraguay and Hector Centeno from Guatemala. He continues to concentrate on increasing the efforts and effectiveness of CC's in all areas. Luis has extended an offer to a CC in Panama and has had meetings with Guatemala CC, Honduras CC, and Belize CC for planning RFPD actions.

USA Zone Coordinators & Assistant Zone Coordinators: Bill Cadwallader has built active rapport with each Zone Coordinator and Assistant Zone Coordinator, and has provided direction and suggestions to them, including:

- 1) Each Zone Coordinator has approximately fifteen Rotary Districts to supervise, and each has been asked to invite two other Assistant Zone Coordinators to work with them in their Rotary Zones.
- 2) It is the responsibility of the three (3) Zone Coordinators to then invite a Rotarian from each district to be the Coordinator from that district. District Coordinators will be better able to reach the Rotarians in the clubs to give speeches and to encourage the development of RFPD projects. Once the work of RFPD is recognized it will be easier for each District Coordinator and Zone Coordinator to develop greater membership for RFPD.
- 3) All Zone Coordinators and Assistant Coordinators are urged to attend the Rotary International Convention to be trained to be more effective in their Zones. Rotarians will also be asked to spend time in the RFPD booth to answer questions of the convention attendees. Zone Coordinators will have booths for the promotion of RFPD at all of the Zone Institutes for the education of Incoming and Past District Governors.
- 4) Clubs will be more easily informed of the work of RFPD related to maternal health and reducing the transmission of HIV/AIDS when there is a District Coordinator within the district ready to speak to the clubs concerning the needs to prevent adolescent pregnancies. With the efforts of the ZC's and AZC's, we expect more members to join the ranks of RFPD.

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