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Dear Sister Brahma Kumari Prakashmani,

We take great pleasure in welcoming the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University into consultative status with UNICEF. Following Ms. B.K. Mohini Panjabi's letter of application dated 18 August we have received confirmation of the Brahma Kumaris World Spiritual University status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council, a principal requirement for formal association with UNICEF.

Please know that UNICEF is now known as the "United Nations Children's Fund". The words "International" and "Emergency" were dropped from its title in 1983, but the acronym UNICEF was retained.

We are sending you for reference the 1987 UNICEF Annual Report and 1987 "State of the World's Children" report and other publications sent to non-governmental organizations in consultative status with UNICEF. Of special interest are "UNICEF relations with non-governmental organizations" (E/ICEF/Misc.187) which describes the main areas of UNICEF's co-operation with NGOs, and "An overview of UNICEF policies, organization, and working methods" (E/ICEF/670/Rev.3) which provides general information about the work of UNICEF and its programmes. Please send us any booklets or brochures produced by your organization.

NGOs in consultative status with UNICEF are also invited to be members of the NGO Committee on UNICEF which meets on a regular basis, and we are sure that Dr Michael Gerber, the current President, will be contacting you soon in this respect. The NGO Committee on UNICEF provides an opportunity for us to strengthen ties with NGOs, and to join with them in advocating specific target actions on behalf of children throughout the world. In this context, I am enclosing copies of the joint NGO/UNICEF publication, "Action for Children", through which we hope to keep everyone informed about the various activities and events being undertaken around the world. We would welcome any comments and contributions; should you desire additional copies, please let us know.

Thank you for your commitment to the work of UNICEF, and I look forward to working with your organization in areas of mutual concern.

Yours sincerely,

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