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ESSAY COMPETITION OPEN TO YOUNG
PEOPLE OF ALL COUNTRIES

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities

1. The United Town Organization (UTO) which is under the auspices of UNESCO is sponsoring essay competition among elementary, secondary and college students on the theme, "United Towns or the Township - Hope of the World". The essay contest is being held in connection with UTO's Xth World Congress to be held in Casablanca (Morocco) from 15 to 18 of November 1981.
2. Inclosed are the rules and regulations of the contest.
3. In this connection, all regional directors are requested to send one entry for each age group, as indicated in the inclosure, representing the best from their region. A central committee will choose the national entry for each age group.
4. Entries shall be submitted to this Office, Attention: Bureau of Elementary Education, not later August 31, 1981.
5. It is requested that this Memorandum be given publicity.

(SGD.) ONOFRE D. CORPUZ
Minister of Education and Culture

Incl.: As stated

Reference:
None

Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(D.O. 1-76)

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under the following subjects:

CONTEST
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(Inclosure to MEC Memorandum No. 136, s. 1981)

ESSAY CONTEST ON THE THEME: "UNITED TOWNS OR
THE TOWNSHIP HOPE OF THE WORLD"

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In this world which is ravaged by unspeakable violence, the taking of hostages, the salvation and more of under-development, the distress of migrant workers torture and the refusal of basic human rights, the towns municipalities and communities should combine efforts on the basis of participation and, going from there, for world-wide inter municipal cooperation in all spheres: for development, health, education and town planning problems, promotion of information, etc. In this way with every one taking part, and by a policy of town-twinning and world-wide cooperation at the base, it will lead to a New Order of People who can promote understanding and pave the way to Peace between Nations.

TAKEN FROM THE RULES

This is a competition for young people throughout the world. UTO is asking to write an essay on the theme "UNITED TOWNS OR THE TOWNSHIP, HOPE OF THE WORLD" which could be accompanied by illustrations, and to send them to the Minister of Education and of their own country.

The essay will be divided into three groups, according to the age of the competitor:

- _____ under 14 years
- _____ from 14 to 18 years
- _____ over 18 years

The first selection will be made at national level (1) by the departments of the education ministry of each country using criteria determined by the said ministries themselves.

In this way, each country will select nine final three from each age-group.

The winner will be chosen from among the national finalists by an international jury made up of a representative from UNESCO, a representative of each country participating in the congress and the members of UTO's International Council, at the Xth UTO Congress in Casablanca (Morocco) 15-18 November 1981.

The international jury will award three First Prizes, one in each age-group. Each winner will be offered a trip to the twinned-town of his choice, with accommodation paid for three weeks.

Each of the winners of a Second Prize will be offered paid accommodation for three weeks in the twinned-town of his choice.

Winners of the Third Prize will be given books. There will be of course numerous consolation prizes.

For each country, the final entry date will be decided by the relevant authorities, taking into account that the finalists' entries should reach Paris not later than the 10th September 1981.