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OFFICE OF SOCIAL & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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MESSAGE:

Our Office received with warm appreciation one copy of each of Books One through Six of the series entitled "Educate These Children: A Teacher's Guide for Pre-Primary Schools" recently published by the New Era Development Institute (NEDI). We also acknowledge receipt of an email of 31 January 2002 from Mrs. Liv Vitols and Mr. Michael Vitols, and an email of 1 February 2002 from Mr. Vitols, the latter containing a copy of the publication flyer for these books. The delay in our reply is regretted.

It is indeed gratifying to have 10 years of learning and experience at NEDI begin to yield such excellent fruits as these manuals and the ones in the series "Developing My True Self". The texts are well done and constitute an important contribution to the field of teacher training. In this connection, at the end of 2001, a small group of consultants were invited to the Holy Land to participate in a series of discussions intended to lay the foundation for a program to support the establishment and development of preschools, kindergartens and primary schools in communities around the world. One of the group's aims was to identify and bring together curricular elements that could be offered to teachers of these grades in villages and rural areas around the world. Although the "Educate These Children" texts reached us after the consultations had ended, these books will be integrated with the other materials that were gathered from various parts of the world to form a coherent program for use by teachers at this level. We would appreciate your sending a set of the manuals to Dr. Haleh Arbab Correa and to Mrs. Chahine Ardekani Rassekh, the two members of this working group who have not yet received personal copies. Their contact details are provided below.

You are, of course, free to distribute these texts as you deem appropriate. For your convenience, we are enclosing a list, together with contact information, of selected schools and institutions that may find the materials of interest. We understand that additional books have also been prepared, and we look forward to receiving copies of them.

Our Office would also be grateful if you could send us an additional ten copies of the six books in the "Educate These Children" series, a further three sets of the four manuals in the "Developing My True Self" series, as well as four copies of the three workbooks published for

this latter program. Five copies of the “Educate These Children” texts will be deposited with the Bahá’í World Centre Library.

Be assured of our best wishes.

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