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Sent: Monday, 26 May 2008 12:03 p.m.
To: John Darby
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Subject: NZ United World College

Dear John,

I am writing to you as project director of the New Zealand United World College Trust.

This is a flagship project, investing in New Zealand's place in the world.

Our goal is to establish a United World College in New Zealand by 2012. Our vision is to produce outstanding global citizens – future leaders with:

- Excellent academic achievement
- Character rich in integrity, tenacity and team-work
- Deep understanding of complex global issues
- Capacity to think critically with rigour and insight
- Courage to take action based on independent thought, even when it is not popular or safe to do so
- Commitment to strive for excellence, in every field of endeavor, and
- Desire to live with a generous heart, seeking to give back to others as a priority in life.

There are 12 existing UWCs around the world. Our New Zealand UWC will be adapted to reflect the innovation and excellence New Zealand can show the world.

Ours will be based on the Canadian UWC (on Vancouver Island). It will be a two year programme for talented 17-19 year olds (250 students in total) from around the world (about 100 countries), largely scholarship funded – equivalent to a Harkness or Rhodes for younger people.

The programme will be apolitical and non-religious. Student selection will be demanding. Emphasis will be on striving for excellence, developing leadership, and service to others – 'giving back' is a central value.

Bringing together a global village of outstanding young people from around the world, to live and learn together with a spirit of friendship and discovery, will create a world-wide window on New Zealand.

Among other things, it will give rise to an outstanding network of 'NZ ambassadors' around the world in positions of influence, and establish New Zealand as an international centre of excellence in global leadership development.

In terms of both profile and investment, this will be a premier campus bringing substantial value to its region.

We are in the process identifying a site for the college and I would welcome the opportunity to discuss this with you. In particular, I am keen to discuss whether there might be an option to locate the campus within the resort zone of your Jacks Point development.

Further information and our business plan is at www.uwc.org.nz.

I look forward to speaking with you.

Kind regards

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