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***** LETTER FROM THE EDITOR*****

Welcome to the twenty-first issue of Safe Community Weekly News in 2004, the electronic Safe Community Weekly News is edited by the Norwegian Safety Promotion Centre- a WHO CC Affiliated Safe Community Support Centre on behalf of Safe Communities Network.

WHAT IS NEW AT SAFE COMMUNITIES?

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13th International Conference on Safe Communities
2nd – 4th June 2005, Prague – Czech Republic



The 13th International Safe Community Conference held in Prague, Czech Republic. 2nd -4th June 2005. The conference held at the National House of Smichov in Prague with more than 400 participants (330 international participants).





Dr. Petr Slama, Deputy Minister of Health, Czech Republic

Professor Leif Svanström, Director WHO CC.

Dr. Etienne Krug; Director VIP - WHO



Mayor of Bergen Mr. Herman Friele welcoming the conference participants to the next International Safe Community Conference in Bergen, Norway. 13-15 June 2005.



In the closing session the Safe Community flag forwarded to the organisers of the 14th International Safe Community Conference; Bergen municipality, Vesta and Norwegian Safety Promotion Centre.

2004 MEETING OF WHO CC AFFILIATED SUPPORT CENTRES



The meeting took place on 2nd June 2004, at National House of Smichov in Prague. The theme of the meeting was “The Role of Affiliate Support Centres in Supporting the Safe Community Movement”. Representatives from Affiliated Support Centres participated in the meeting in addition to other participants from other candidate institutions whom might be qualified to be Affiliated Support Centre in the near future.

Designation

**Center for Injury Prevention, Charles University in Prague designated as an
Affiliate Safe Community Support Centre**

2nd June 2005. Prague, Czech Republic



Signing the Affiliate Safe Community Support Centre agreement between Charles University and WHO CC.



Dr. Michal Grivna receiving the Affilaite Centre palque from Prof. Svanström director for WHO CC.

Representatives from differnet, affiliated safe community support centres and designated Safe Communities congratulating the Charles university for becoming an Affiliite Safe Community Support Centre.



57th World Health Assembly approves resolution on road safety and health



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21 MAY 2004 -- After nearly thirty years, the 57th World Health Assembly overwhelmingly approved a resolution on **road safety and health**. This resolution, which recalls WHA27.59 of 1974, seeks to address the lack of safety on the world's roads, responsible for 1.2 million deaths and as many as 50 million injuries and disabilities annually. Forty-two Member States, UNECE, UNICEF and the International Federation of the Red Cross and Red Crescent expressed their views during the debate on the resolution and congratulated WHO for placing this item on the agenda and for dedicating World Health Day 2004 to road safety and launching the *World report on road traffic injury prevention*

The resolution urges Member States to integrate road traffic injury prevention into public health programmes; establish government leadership in road safety; facilitate multisectoral collaboration across ministries, communities and civil society; assess the national situation and assure that resources are available that are commensurate with the extent of the road traffic injury problem; prepare and implement a national strategy on road traffic injury prevention; and take specific measures to prevent mortality and morbidity due to road crashes and evaluate their impacts. The resolution also requests WHO Director-General to collaborate with Member States to further research, build capacity and advocate for road traffic injury prevention, raise awareness about the risk factors related to road traffic collisions, and strengthen prehospital and trauma care for survivors.

As invited by the United Nations General Assembly through its resolution on improving global road safety (resolution 58/289), issued during a historic plenary session on the topic on 14th April 2004, this World Health Assembly resolution also accepts the invitation to WHO to serve as a coordinator on road safety issues within the United Nations system in close collaboration with the United Nations regional commissions. The role will involve organizing meetings of relevant global and regional bodies of the United Nations system, establishing joint United Nations activities aimed at implementing the recommendations of the WHO/World Bank World report on road traffic injury prevention, and disseminating information on progress made toward those objectives.

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